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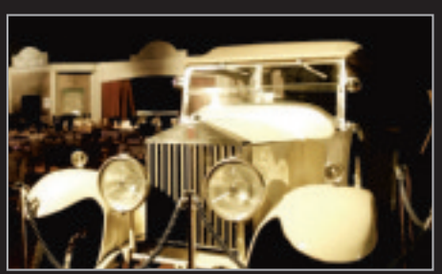

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Search: Police officers and cars in the Fishermans car park, close to the wooded area in Woolstone on Monday evening

Cordon: Armed police officers and dog handlers at the wooded area

Investigation starts after alleged kidnap

BY ADAM GRINSELL

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ARMED police and dogs were scouring a quiet, leafy village on Monday following an alleged kidnap and assault.

Two areas in Woolstone, including a wood, were being searched for clues as part of a police investigation into the incident, which started in Conniburrow.

Just before 5pm, a 26-year-old man entered a house in Ramsons Avenue, where he was attacked.

Shortly after a second man, aged 32, went into the house and was also attacked.

The first victim was then put into a car and driven to woods in Woolstone, where he was attacked for a second time.

The alarm was raised when the second victim managed to escape the house. Officers then located the first victim and the car used to take him to the woods.

Both men are currently at Milton Keynes Hospital in a stable condition.

A 16-year-old has been arrested on suspicion of kidnap and assault and is currently in police custody being questioned by detectives.

Police are now concentrating on three locations - one in Ramsons Avenue where the initial incidents happened, and the two locations in Woolstone where the vehicle was found and where the attack in the woods took place.

They are also hunting for other suspects.

DI Simon Roberts, investigating, said: "We are still searching for other suspects, who we believe may have also carried out the assault.

"I would appeal for anyone who saw anything to contact me via the 24-hour Thames Valley Police Enquiry Centre on 0845 8 505 505.

"We believe the men all knew each other.

"I have one suspect in custody and officers are currently searching for other suspects.

"I also have a team of detectives working to establish exactly what the motives were for the attack."

Investigating: Police vehicles parked in Ramsons Avenue in Conniburrow on Tuesday

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Burglar steals mum's precious baby photo

A GRIEVING mother is calling for the return of an irreplaceable photograph of her daughter after it was snatched by a burglar.

The mum, who does not wish to be named, kept a photograph of her baby daughter, who died a year ago aged 15 months after being born prematurely, in her handbag.

She also kept hold of a special pair of nail clippers, used to cut the baby girl's nails just days before she died, with the photo in a pouch in the bag.

But on Thursday, September 15, the photo and nail clippers disappeared after her handbag was stolen in a burglary at her home in Oldbrook Boulevard.

She said: "I'm upset about the photo more than anything. That had been with me since she died.

"The bag was expensive, but you can buy something like that again and you can't get the photo back as easily.

"If anyone's got any information with regards to where it is, please come forward. I just really want them back - those for me are irreplaceable."

She said there was a call at the door between 10.45 and 11.05pm that night but no-one was there.

When she and her brother-in-law went to check, the offender must have come in the open back door, through the house, and into the living room to steal the brown Louis Vuitton bag.

DC Sam Reynolds said: "The photo is of special value and I am appealing for anyone who could be in possession of this picture to send it back.

"I am also appealing for anyone who may have seen suspicious activity around Oldbrook Boulevard at the time of the burglary to contact police with any information that could help bring the suspects to justice."

Anyone with any information should call 0845 8 505 505.

Teenager received sexually explicit texts from ex-cop

BY HAZEL SLADE
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A TEENAGER received up to 15 indecent phone calls and text messages a day from a 'sick' former police officer.

Seventeen-year-old Charlotte Beck was one of 12 women who were bombarded with calls and texts from Mark Wilkie, 51, who lives in Newport Pagnell, after he took their details from a computer system while serving as an officer with Bedfordshire Police.

Miss Beck was just 15 years old and a school pupil when she started receiving phone calls from a number she didn't recognise.

She said: "Every time I answered it you could hear someone was there but no-one said anything. It was just heavy breathing.

"Every time I put the phone down they just rang again. I had to turn my phone off at night because it was so bad.

"On a bad day it was up to 15 and on a good day it was one or two, but it was every day.

"I didn't understand how anybody who didn't know me could have got my number, so I thought it was a friend messing about and didn't report it."

The calls went on for five months, with at least one every day, and Miss Beck said she also often received sexually explicit text messages.

Miss Beck explained that what made it worse was she met Wilkie when he made a visit to her home regarding an unrelated incident, although at the time she did not know who he was.

But just minutes after the former officer left, Miss Beck received yet another phone call.

The Bedford College student, from Flitwick, said she didn't find out a police officer was behind it until earlier this year, when she received a call from the investigating officer.

Victim: Charlotte Beck

She added: "It makes me feel sick. At the time it didn't affect me because I didn't know the severity of it all. We didn't think in a million years that it would be a policeman. The police are supposed to be people who you can trust, but if you can't trust them, who can you?"

As reported in last week's MK NEWS, Wilkie pleaded guilty at Cambridge Crown Court on Friday, September 23 to 12 counts of misconduct in a public office and one count of theft of a mobile phone.

He was released on conditional bail and is due to return for sentence later this month.

Late night shopping at thecentre:mk

NEW late night hours for thecentre:mk were launched on Monday with a Big Band celebration of live music and dancing.

The Milton Keynes City Orchestra, featuring Fiona Harrison, performed to more than 120 people who enjoyed the warm evening and celebratory ambience in Queens Court.

The centre, which is now open to 8pm on weekdays, adopted a big band swing forties theme for the evening.

More than £300 was raised and has been donated to the beneficiary for the event, The Royal British Legion.

Robert Hall, centre director at thecentre:mk, said: "Our Big Band event was a fantastic success, we were delighted so many people joined us to celebrate the centre now opening until 8pm, Monday to Friday, with free parking after 6pm.

"It is a great time for the centre to open later and encourage our guests and city workers to visit and enjoy a relaxed, informal late night retail and dining experience."

For more information on the new opening times visit www.thecentremk.com - make sure to check with individual stores before you travel.

Also join in the shopping centre's 'Number 8' Facebook competition by visiting www.facebook.com/thecentremk

How learning to say 'tlhIngan Hol vlJatlh'* helped tackle dyslexia

BY ADAM JELLEY
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A DYSLEXIC man has become an expert in writing and translating Klingon, the language used in the TV and film series Star Trek.

Jonathan Brown, 50, of Furzton, has spent the past 16 years mastering the alien language and has revealed how it has helped him deal with his condition.

The security access advisor told MK NEWS: "I've been a fan of the series since it first aired in 1966, but found out the Klingon had their own language in 1995 when it was used in one of the films.

"It looked really fun and I thought I should give it a go. People think because there aren't words for everything, it must be easy, but of course it isn't," he said.

As a member of the Klingon Language Institute, he now works for language specialists EuroTalk as their 'lead linguist' and produces learning CDs for potential speakers.

Mr Brown, who is married with two children, added: "Normally when I read English words they just float around on the page so I have to read one letter at a time - I can't be rushed.

"Working on the translation has helped me to understand where I've been having problems with languages all my life. I'd been trying to remember words in the name part of my brain, but I have what I call name blindness.

"The recordings and language games helped me grasp the words and I started putting the words into my long-term memory."

The language was invented by American Marc Okrand for use in some of the Star Trek films.

But rather than just inventing a few words to make them sound alien, he devised a complete language, with its own vocabulary, grammar and usage.

The recordings produced by Mr Brown were sent to Mr Okrand, as he has to approve all new words and phrases that pass into online dictionaries.

Mr Brown added: "I use the language mostly online with other Klingon speakers and Trekkers, my family obviously don't speak it."

* 'tlhIngan Hol vlJatlh' means I speak Klingon.

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- **Hello - nuqneH**
- **What's happening? - gaStaH nuq?**
- **I Understand - jIyaj**
- **What time is it? - 'arlogh Qoylu'pu'?**
- **Today is a good day to die - Heghlu'meH QaQ jajvam**
- **Do you speak Klingon? - 'tlhIngan Hol Dajatlh'a'**

Motorists in fight for crash compensation

A MOTORIST who was in intensive care for six weeks after a car crash has launched a legal battle for compensation of more than £300,000.

Warnjai Buckley, 62, suffered severe abdominal injuries after the crash, which led to her spleen and parts of her bowel having to be removed.

The accident happened on October 24, 2008 when Stuart Hobbs lost control of his car, clipped the kerb, and hit the other vehicle in Tattenhoe Street, near Westcroft Centre.

As a result Mrs Buckley has short bowel syndrome, malnutrition, weight loss and may have to be fed using a tube into her stomach in the future. She was also left with a shattered leg, a fractured rib, a head injury and also anxiety and depression issues.

Mrs Buckley, of Hawkshead Drive, Emerson Valley, is now claiming damages from Mr Hobbs, of Goodrich Green, Kingsmead.

Insurers for Mr Hobbs admitted liability in 2009 but it is reported the two parties cannot agree on how much compensation Mrs Buckley should receive. Mrs Buckley has claimed Mr Hobbs was negligent, failed to avoid her oncoming car and drove on the wrong side of the road.

Man jailed for keeping partner locked in home

A MAN who held his partner against her will and carried out grevious bodily harm attacks on her for six days was sentenced for ten years at Huntingdon Crown court last Wednesday.

Roddie Hamilton, *pictured*, 34, pleaded guilty to keeping his 22-year-old partner locked at their home in Lambert's Croft, Greenleys, between March 22 and 28 this year, inflicting injuries described by the judge as 'extremely grave'.

He was arrested and charged with the offence on March 30.

DI Dave Dachtler said: "This was a terrible experience for the victim and the sentence quite rightly reflects this."

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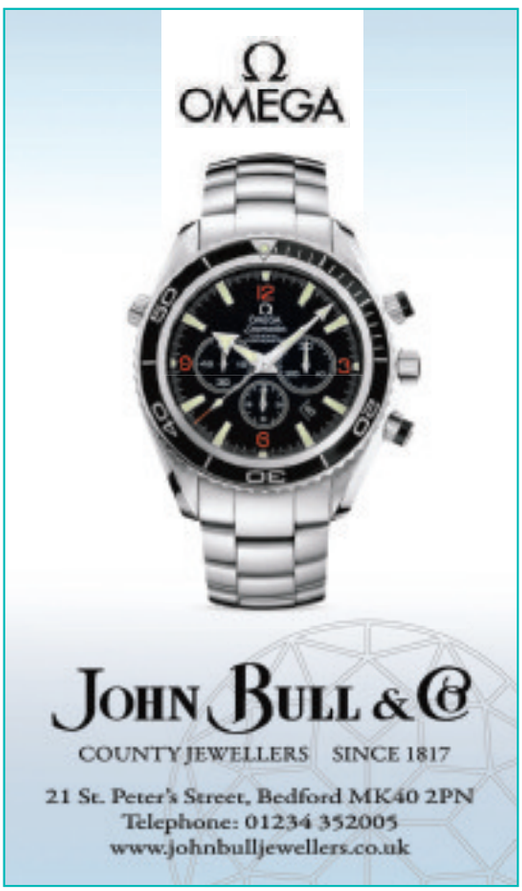

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Loss of free parking spaces

SIR - I was somewhat mystified by two reports in the September 21 edition of MK NEWS – 'Free parking returns to city' and 'Review leads to parking charge'.

Milton Keynes Council has reinstated 169 free places and 690 purple places (all 859 previously premium/red).

There are now 61 free places at the Food Hall and 108 outside Xscape.

However, on the following page you report parking outside John Lewis, owned by thecentre:mk (427 places), is no longer free and is now premium/red. Therefore surely CMK has actually lost 258 free parking spaces.

The council gives its reasons as it identified some under-occupied areas of premium parking – on a weekday these are clearly obvious all over CMK.

thecentre:mk says it brings its parking in line with council charges and stops city workers taking advantage and shoppers queuing for spaces.

Well done MK council and thecemtre:mk.

Linda Chestney
Furzton

Bridge role of councillors

SIR - Your report of the Secklow Gate bridge closure on September 21 records 17 'learning opportunities' for Milton Keynes Council. In explaining the waste of £800,000, you make no mention of the role of the elected members, particularly those with cabinet responsibility for this matter in January 2010.

Are we to understand that this breath-taking incompetence and waste of money was entirely due to a misunderstanding between officers? Councillors in the ruling party form a 'cabinet' responsible for making key decisions on spending. What was the Lib Dem cabinet doing for 16 months after January 2010 before the new ruling party finally effected the repairs?

You cannot lay the blame for this sorry mess entirely at the door of the chief executive or assistant director of planning. I suspect that those ex-cabinet members are keeping their heads down in the hope that any blame will by-pass them and it will all blow over.

Mike Saunders
Sent by e-mail

For more on Secklow Gate bridge, turn to page seven.

Essential sex education

SIR - Regarding the story of 'Parents' worries over sex education classes' in last week's paper, it would be tragic if a few prudish parents attempt to deny an absolutely essential education to their own children, much less others.

Most parents (who have not had a sex education themselves) are totally incapable, embarrassed or unwilling to give such information to their own children.

It has been proved beyond any doubt that a decent sex education would be the best armour against sexually transmitted diseases, unwanted pregnancies and abusive relationships.

One only has to look at other education systems in Europe or the rest of the world to see a correlation between a good sex education and sexual wellbeing.

Perhaps these concerned parents should see and experience a decent sex education themselves before condemning their children to ignorance.

Dave Patel
Sent by e-mail

Jon Brett's City Life

His fortnightly column written exclusively for MK NEWS

Lest we forget the Bradwell Blitz

A VERY unusual and rarely talked about anniversary takes place in New Bradwell this month – the Bradwell Blitz.

This forgotten corner of north Milton Keynes has lived in the shadow of historic Wolverton and Newport Pagnell.

But just prior to the start of the Second World War, in August 1939, New Bradwell was preparing to step out of the dark with the turning on of electric street lighting.

But the start of war saw the introduction of the blackout and the lights were switched off, and remained dark for six years.

But the anniversary isn't the premature switching on of street lights, it is a much darker, and all but forgotten story of death and destruction that happened 61 years ago.

It was a dark and rainy night on Sunday, October 20, 1940, when New Bradwell was bombed in what became known as the Bradwell Blitz.

Initially two flash grenades landed harmlessly in allotments, but then 'BANG', the first bomb slammed into the High Street creating a 30ft crater.

And then BOOM! A second bomb tore into numbers 71, 73 and 75 along the High Street, reducing them to rubble, tragically killing five. Legend has it a baby in a cradle was blown clear out of an upstairs window, landing unharmed on the green nearby.

Railway Cottages in New Bradwell

There have been many theories about why New Bradwell became the scene of such devastation that night.

The most feasible is that while the enemy knew nothing of the code-breaking at Bletchley Park, more was known about the railway sheds at Wolverton, where trains and other equipment were secretly painted in camouflage colours, making the paint shops a target.

New Bradwell, 2011, and little has changed. The town is dotted with historic pubs and buildings from a by-gone era.

However, one familiar site has been removed – the name Sid Telfer from his famous warehouse in Newport Road.

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Restoration: Hut 6 at Bletchley Park

Huge cash boost at Bletchley Park

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A MASSIVE grant of £4.6million is being hailed as a 'monumental triumph' for one of the city's most important historical sites.

And the news comes as it gets set to undertake one of its largest projects yet.

Earlier today, the Bletchley Park Trust announced it has been awarded the substantial sum by the Heritage Lottery Fund towards the regeneration of the site.

The money will enable the restoration of the iconic Codebreaking huts 1, 3 and 6, and the creation of a visitor centre and exhibition in the currently derelict Block C as soon as £1.7million in match funding has been raised.

Actor and author Stephen Fry, who is a supporter of Bletchley Park, welcomed the announcement.

He said: "Today marks a monumental triumph for the Bletchley Park Trust.

"This investment from the Heritage Lottery Fund will finally enable the trust to do justice to this amazing place in tribute to the tremendous intellectual feat of those who worked there.

"Not only did these people alter the very course of history by helping to secure the allied victory, thereby quietly and modestly providing us with the free world, they also gave birth to the Information Age which underpins the way we all live today."

During its post-war years of secrecy and neglect, Bletchley Park and many of its codebreaking huts and blocks descended into near dereliction.

But for 20 years the Bletchley Park Trust has been devoted to ensuring the park's achievements during the Second World War, and those of the people who served there, are recognised and the site developed.

Now it welcomes 130,000 visitors a year.

The work done there is now also being updated for the internet age, as the trust is preparing to undertake the mammoth task of digitising its vast archives.

Computer company HP has provided the technology for volunteers to scan and commit more than a million historic documents to digital format.

Once finished, the documents will be on the internet for the public and researchers to inspect.

Screwdriver murder trial opens

A MAN who plunged a screwdriver into the head of a teen in 2000 wasn't arrested for his murder until nine years later, Luton Crown Court has been told.

A jury was told yesterday the death of Jonathan Barton in 2009 was due to the attack he suffered at The Beacon pub in Bletchley.

Leigh Clift, 31, of Lincolnshire Close, Bletchley, was convicted of causing GBH with intent for the attack in 2002.

He is pleading not guilty to Mr Barton's murder.

The court was told a witness saw the defendant with a screwdriver and Jonathan lying on the ground and bleeding from his head.

It caused a 'catastrophic brain injury which left him in a semi-vegetative state'.

In July 2009 Jonathan had complications with a tube in his stomach, became unwell, suffered a cardio arrest and died.

A medical expert decided there was a link between the attack and the complications that led to his death.

The trial continues.

Photo competition to help city status bid

AMATEUR snappers in the city are being urged to dust off their cameras to support Milton Keynes' bid to become a city by creating a Christmas card for The Queen.

Milton Keynes Council is bidding for city status in a competition to mark the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty in 2012.

The Queen is personally involved in making the decision on city status.

The council is launching a borough wide competition to find an iconic photo which will be turned into a Christmas card for The Queen.

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Libraries look to residents to help plan cuts

MILTON Keynes residents are again being invited to play their part in the reshaping of library services across the city.

The library service needs to find ways of changing the way it currently works to plan for increasing efficiencies and likely ongoing funding challenges.

This summer residents were invited to express ideas about the future of the service by completing the online questionnaire Inviting Ideas, or joining the Citizen Review Group.

The report, which includes examples of best practice from outside Milton Keynes, aims to set a clear direction for the service for the next three to five years and beyond.

Formal consultation, as part of the overall libraries review, will start, subject to a delegated decision, on Wednesday, October 19 and is due to last until January 12.

In addition, a series of public meetings across Milton Keynes have been provisionally planned for October and November.

For more details on when the meetings are being held, visit www.mk-news.co.uk.

Council image is 'in tatters' - says leader

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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Council leader Andrew Geary, *left*, and chief executive David Hill

THE council's reputation is 'in tatters'.

That's the view of Conservative council leader Andrew Geary after a damning internal report into the authority's handling of the Secklow Gate bridge repairs, first reported by MK NEWS.

But council chief executive David Hill hopes this can be rectified after commissioning an external report into the affair.

He and his management team have also apologised to all those affected by the bridge's 17-month closure.

In a meeting of the council's audit committee last Tuesday, councillors, officers and members of the public discussed the report, which revealed a host of errors that delayed the reopening of the bridge.

It also set out 17 'learning opportunities' for the council.

Speaking at the meeting, Cllr Geary said: "The council once again finds its reputation in tatters, and that's something none of us should be proud of."

He was joined in cross-party calls for an independent report, which was then given the green light by the committee.

In an interview with MK NEWS, Mr Hill said he acknowledges the reputation of the council has been hurt and is disappointed with the findings of the report.

"We clearly didn't deal with this with the efficiency members of the council and the public expects," he said.

"I want to reaffirm the apology the corporate leadership team has made for that fact."

He said although figures in the region of £1million were mentioned in the report, the actual amount at risk to the council 'is much less than that' as an insurance claim is currently being processed.

He added: "We made a prudent provision to a possible loss of £213,000. We might be successful and get it all back. We've taken some steps to mitigate the losses, but we think that's an absolute maximum loss and it could be much less than that.

"We do acknowledge the delays did have adverse consequences for a number of residents and businesses, particularly the market traders, and that was what we were expressing regret about."

The external report will be started once the terms of reference for the investigation have been decided by Mr Hill, Cllr Geary and the chairman of the audit committee, Cllr Brian White.

MKNEWS BRIEFS

Sing along at footy gig

CHORISTERS are being sought for a special gig - at half time at an MK Dons game.

On Saturday, December 17, in the match against Preston North End, Singing City hopes to have 300 choir members and individuals in the stadium to sing at half time.

To find out about rehearsals, taking place in November, call The Stables on 01908 280821.

Cyclist injured in crash

A CYCLIST was injured in a crash in the early hours of Saturday morning.

At 12.15am, a silver Toyota Avensis and the cyclist, on a blue ladies racing bike, collided on the A509 Portway between the Portway and North Grafton roundabouts.

The 57-year-old cyclist was taken to Milton Keynes Hospital. His condition is serious but stable.

Call police on 0845 8 505 505.

Plea made for return of nativity

RESIDENTS have joined a group on Facebook calling for the nativity scene that used to stand in their town to return.

The scene used to appear in the vicarage garden in Newport Pagnell, but was removed in the 1980s.

Resident Nadine Mark said: "The Newport Nativity was made of lifesize figures in a stable and as a child many of us remember it being magical to peer over the garden wall looking at it.

"We want to try and recreate this for future generations."

The festive group has approached a number of local schools and youth organisations to see if they can lend a hand. To get involved with the project, email Newport.nativity@gmail.com.

Two assaulted in Fishermead

TWO men were left needing hospital treatment after an assault on Friday.

The incident happened in Pencarrow Place at around 11.25pm when the victims, aged 26 and 25, were attacked by three men after a short altercation. The 26-year-old man had a cut to his arm and the 25-year-old man had two front teeth knocked out.

The main offender was white, around 5ft 6ins, in his late 20s or early 30s, of slim build with mousy coloured short hair and was wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans.

One of the other offenders was white, 6ft, of large build with short mousy brown hair. He was wearing a white top.

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Cross now: Councillor Derek Eastman at the site of where the pedestrian crossing will be built

New crossing for a busy town road

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A PEDESTRIAN crossing will be built on a busy road which is used by pupils to walk to two schools.

Work started on the crossing, in Little Linford Lane at its junction with Wordsworth Avenue, after a campaign by ward councillor Derek Eastman.

But he criticised the council after claiming he was originally told it would be built in time for the new school term.

A council spokesman said: "As part of the overall safety measures we generally lay anti-skid surfacing, which unfortunately has taken longer than anticipated due to the specialist nature of the work.

"However, this work began on Monday and, to minimise disruption to pedestrians and road users, at the same time we are also completing the electrical work associated with the crossing.

"We hope to complete this work within a matter of days, weather permitting."

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Have a say on cuts to speed limit

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A GROUP which will hear concerns about proposed speed limit cuts on a town's major residential roads is due to be set up tonight.

As previously reported in this paper, West Bletchley Council plans to slash the limit to 20mph on six roads including the 1.1-mile long Whalley Drive.

Following a meeting in August, it was decided the scheme would not go ahead until a thorough consultation had been conducted with all residents of the roads affected.

Tonight, a working group is expected to be selected at a special meeting of the parish council, which will then listen to what residents have to say about the proposals.

The scheme has been met by a mixed reaction from Bletchley residents, with readers writing in their droves to air their views on the scheme - many welcomed the decision, while just as many are angered by it.

One of those concerned by the plans is parish councillor Arun Vaidyanathan, who has carried out a survey himself and claims the majority of those he spoke to do not want the speed limit changed.

But proposer Councillor Tony Mabbott says the plan will help improve safety and physical barriers such as speed humps are not being considered due to cost implications.

Cllr Vaidyanathan has set up a petition against the plan as he doesn't believe changing the speed limits will solve the area's traffic problems.

He said: "What is the point of restricting the speed even more?"

The meeting will be held at the council's offices at Porchester Close, Bletchley, at 7pm.

Gastronomy on the Go: Rush hour travellers are given a taste of the Birmingham Food Fest

Tasty treat for rail commuters

HUNGRY commuters at Central Milton Keynes railway station were treated to gastronomic delights on Thursday.

Travellers enjoyed a free culinary feast of char siu puff pastries and Chinese egg tarts, from the veteran head chef of Birmingham-based Cantonese restaurant Chung Ying.

The rush-hour surprise from Gastronomy on the Go was all laid on to promote the next Birmingham Food Fest, a celebration of food in the second city from October 14 to 23.

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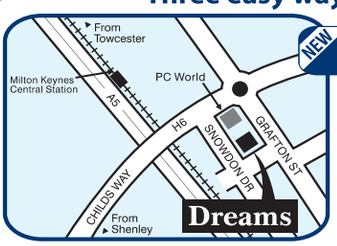

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Ghost town could be most haunted

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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COULD the most haunted town in Britain be right on our doorstep?

Julie Wilson, a Newport Pagnell resident, claims her home town could take the title after writing a book about its ghouls and ghosts.

At the moment Pluckley in Kent is registered with the Guinness Book of World Records as the most haunted village or town in the country, with between 12 and 16 ghosts.

But Julie says she has investigated 25 sites across Newport Pagnell, including Bury Field, pubs and private homes, and is still hearing about other possible 'hauntings'.

She said: "In two of the stores that have been selling the book, they've asked if I've mentioned their ghosts in it, so I think there's a lot more than what's in there.

"There's 25 places in the book, but it's hard to say how many actual ghosts there may be.

"Bury Field is supposed to have hundreds of plague victims."

But despite all the ghoulish goings-on, people in the town welcome their freaky friends.

Julie Wilson with her book Haunted Places, but who's that behind?

"People are quite fascinated by it," Julie said.

"Very few people seem to be scared, which is something that surprised me.

"Many people find them reassuring, most don't find them to be threatening - they are comfortable living alongside them.

"There are very few scary ghosts in Newport Pagnell."

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Raising awareness: Owain Wilks, who suffers from Noonan Syndrome, with his older brother Josh

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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ON FRIDAY, schoolchildren and work colleagues right across the city will be breaking their usual dress codes to don their favourite pair of jeans.

That's because it is annual Jeans for Genes Day - when people are asked to donate a small amount of money to go to work or school in their jeans.

As well as raising money for charities devoted to helping children with genetic disorders up and down the country, the event helps to raise awareness of some of the more rare and obscure conditions people may have.

One of those is Noonan Syndrome, an inherited disease that can cause abnormal development in many parts of the body.

Two-year-old Owain Wilks, from Old Farm Park, Milton Keynes, has the syndrome and was born with a heart defect and suffers from gastric problems and poor growth - not that he lets all that affect him.

His mum Gemma said: "He's a typical little boy. He has problems, like feeding issues, but he's a cocky character and that's the big thing with him. He's a comedian."

Following Owain being diagnosed with the condition, it was discovered 37-year-old dad Keith also had Noonan Syndrome after living with it his whole life.

It had not been spotted before because information on the condition had not been available until a few years ago.

Gemma added: "At the moment there's no real information, so Jeans for Genes Day is helping to make people more aware of rare conditions such as this one and is doing it in a positive manner.

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you find out your child has a condition, but it doesn't have to be. You don't get told that your child can get on with it and enjoy life and Jeans for Genes helps with that and lets people know there are a lot of genetic conditions."

Jeans for Genes will be raising money for a grant to go towards the new charity, Noonan Syndrome UK.

One in 25 babies in the UK, or 30,000 children every year, is born with a genetic disorder and although they can be rare in themselves, together they account for more than half of all childhood deaths.

Laura Pattison, Jeans for Genes campaign director, said: "By holding a Jeans for Genes Day, readers will be helping Owain and thousands of children like him across the UK who are affected by genetic disorders.

"Your donations will enable families in the UK affected by Noonan Syndrome to access the expert information and support they need to care for their child."

The fundraising target for this year is £2.6million, with a total of £36million having already been raised in the 16 years the charity has been running.

And wearing your jeans isn't the only way you can raise money for the charity.

Actress Ann Marie Davies, who appeared in Brookside and Doctors and has just moved to Milton Keynes to be with her husband, MK Dons' manager Karl Robinson, is an ambassador for the Liverpool Marathon, taking place on Sunday.

She's running because she is a carrier of 1p36 Deletion Syndrome and her niece Scarlette was also born with the condition, characterised by intellectual disability, delayed growth, seizures and other issues.

Ann Marie hopes she and her family will eventually be able to take Scarlette to have dolphin therapy in America.

She said: "I've never done a marathon before - I've been training around Caldecotte Lake but I'm very nervous.

"The most I've run was the other day, for two hours, which is only half.

"I'm running as my niece has the disorder - me and my two brothers are carriers of the gene and it means, although she's seven, she can't talk yet.

"There's so many genetic disorders and this is a great opportunity to raise money and awareness about them.

To support Ann Marie, visit www.justgiving.com/Ann-Marie-Davies.

Anyone who would like to take part in Jeans for Genes can get a free fundraising pack at jeansforgenesday.com.

On the run: Ann Marie Davies

Cloudy2Clear Windows – Service With A Smile!

It's been a crazy few months for Cloudy2Clear Windows. The company which specialises in repairing windows which are steamed up, broken or damaged by replacing the panes – not the frames has grown rapidly as homeowners take advantage of their services.

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Cloudy2Clear service the Bedford, Milton Keynes & Leighton Buzzard areas and Billy is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. 'The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for, which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated.'

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Mother thanks cancer staff who treated son

A WOMAN from Newport Pagnell has raised more than £5,000 for cancer services at Milton Keynes Hospital in memory of her son.

Valerie Bates, 68, started fundraising for the hospital after son Ian was treated for leukemia there.

When Ian died in 2001 aged just 34, Valerie made the decision to raise funds in his memory and give something back for the care he received.

She has since organised concerts, coffee mornings and pounded the streets collecting funds.

She said: "Ian was so well treated during his visits to the hospital.

"The nurses are an amazing bunch and I just wanted to give something back and say thank you for how much they looked after him. In its own way, doing this has helped me come to terms with the loss of him too."

'False widow': The Steatoda nobilis that was found recently

Keep a look out for the biting spider

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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IF YOU despise the city's eight-legged inhabitants, and can't even bear to place a cup over them for someone else to deal with later, perhaps it's best to stop reading now.

That's because Milton Keynes Council's pest control team is asking people to be on the lookout after a nest of steatoda nobilis, or 'false widow' spiders, were found on a play house in a resident's garden.

The false widow spider, also known as the biting spider, is closely related to the notorious black widow spider, commonly found in Australia.

Although its bite is not as venomous, some people who have been bitten by one have been admitted to hospital with symptoms including localised pain, chest pains, nausea and vomiting.

Originally hailing from the Canary Islands off the coast of Africa, it is thought the species was carried to England in the 1800s in bananas delivered to Torquay.

The spiders have been resident to south west England for decades, but appear to be spreading north and east with the warmer weather.

Karen Ford, head of trading standards, said: "While extremely unlikely to be fatal, if you are bitten by one of these spiders you will certainly know about it and you should seek medical treatment as a precaution.

"Older people, children and pets are particularly vulnerable to such bites and extra care should be taken."

If you think that you have these spiders on your property call the team on 01908 252551.

Reports at the beginning of autumn suggest spider numbers, as well as crane flies or 'daddy longlegs', may have increased this year, with householders finding more, larger critters entering their homes for the winter.

This may be due to the temperate weather conditions through the summer creating a better environment for them and their prey to breed.

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Samantha to sail into city's theatre

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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HUGELY popular the world over, Rodgers and Hammerstein's South Pacific flows in to Milton Keynes on Wednesday.

Already, two extra matinees have been added to the musical's ten day stint at Milton Keynes Theatre.

Actress Samantha Womack stars as US Navy nurse Ensign Nellie Forbush, and feels the popularity of the show is partly down to the fact many people identify with its music and story.

"The most moving audiences are the ones who understand its relevance with regards to the war," she said.

"This has an impact for them - they have fond memories of it and it really moves them.

"There's people in tears most evenings."

Best known for her roles in Eastenders, comedy Game On and in rugby-based film Up 'n' Under, Samantha has also previously appeared on stage and in musicals, and says it feels 'wonderful' to be singing again.

"I sing all the time and drive my family crazy," she said.

"I enjoy my voice, so that's why I wanted to get back on stage.

Coming soon: Samantha Womack

"I have a nice soprano voice now, which I've developed as I've got older, and there are really lovely mature sounds to it now."

Having been performing for 25 years, Samantha says she thinks the secret to success is not getting stuck within one genre.

"The trick for my 25 years is to keep changing the genre I've been doing," she said.

"I did a lot of comedy, then drama, then stage, then a soap.

"Otherwise, you become limited to what you do.

"If you want to keep working, you have a responsibility to do that I think."

Opening at Milton Keynes Theatre next Wednesday, October 12, South Pacific runs until Saturday, October 22. See www.atgtickets.com for details.

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Truck signs could park lorry worries

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A LORRY park in the city may now not be needed - thanks to an article in MK NEWS.

After reading a series of stories in this paper about calls for a truck stop due to problems with thefts from lorries and vehicles parking in residential areas, Stephanie Richardson realised she could help.

Ms Richardson owns and runs a cafe at the Crawley Crossing Bunker Truck Stop, next to junction 13 of the M1 in Bedfordshire.

She said she read about the campaign for a lorry park, being led by councillor Sam Crooks, and immediately got in touch with him.

"We've got parking space here at night time," she said. "We are a recognised stop, with fuel, a cafe, CCTV and other facilities, so I'm more than happy to work with Sam Crooks.

"I've been here for 23 years and in all that time there's been no acknowledgement.

"With a little help we can accommodate drivers who perhaps don't know we are here because they come from afar."

Lorry solution? Stephanie Richardson at the junction 13 truck stop

She feels better signage in Milton Keynes directing drivers to the truck stop will help alleviate the problems being experienced by drivers and residents.

Cllr Crooks has now been in touch with officers at Milton Keynes Council and is hoping to speak to Central Bedfordshire Council to try to find a solution.

He said: "The major hauliers know about the lorry park there, but for small independents and drivers coming from overseas, they might not know.

"So we could get some more signage and the police and licencing officers could work closely with the drivers, for example handing out some kind of leaflet to them.

"We do need more facilities and Stephanie was quite clear they do have extra space."

Cllr Crooks added he will suggest the two councils and hauliers work together to talk about future provision.

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Signing pilot offers link to health care

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TECHNOLOGY which will help deaf or hearing impaired people access the city's healthcare is being trialled from this month.

The Signtranslate system is a free-to-use internet-based programme, with trained signers on hand to translate a conversation via webcam.

It is envisioned that this could be used throughout the Milton Keynes health service - thanks to an independent group of residents and patients.

Local Involvement Network Milton Keynes (LINk:MK) is a group that gives everyone in the city the chance to influence their health and social care services.

The trial implementation of the new signing system is an example of its work and follows discussions with its deaf and hearing impaired members who wanted to raise awareness of the difficulties they encounter with the health service.

In June, after 18 months of research and consultation, LINk:MK compiled a report which eventually led to this trial.

Carol Duffy, support team manager, said: "LINk:MK is pleased to have had a positive response to our report from all areas of the health service and delighted our recommendations are now being implemented and pilot sites are going live from this month."

Members of the public will have an opportunity to see Signtranslate on October 18 when LINk:MK hosts its annual LINk 2 Health and Care Event at Middleton Hall in thecentre:mk.

More than 60 organisations will showcase their services and there will be free entertainment, while LINk:MK will be on hand to talk to new members.

Signtranslate: Roopah Krishnamachari, Carol Duffy, Emma Rowe and Sarah Holmden from LINk:MK

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Fiona hoping for slice of success

A STUDENT baker and cake decorator has made it to the finals of a national wedding cake competition – with the first one she has ever made.

Mum-of-two Fiona Stanton, 55, is in the final ten of the National Breakthrough Awards, which recognise the best creative talent in wedding cake design.

She previously wowed judges at the Wessex Salon Culinaire competition with her nautical-themed cake, where it earned a bronze medal.

Now it's up against the cream of the crop from other talented cake-makers from across the UK.

She said: "I'm really pleased to have been shortlisted.

"This is a real passion for me and I'm now setting up my own wedding and anniversary cake business."

A former PA and master nail technician, Fiona has been studying cake decorating at Milton Keynes College for two years.

Nautical: Fiona Stanton with her wedding cake

She added: "None of this would have been possible without the fantastic help and support I've had from MK College.

"It just goes to show that it's never too late to change direction in life, learn new skills and go for it."

To vote for Fiona go to www.hitched.co.uk/HBA/voting.

Learning how to win lottery

A SYNDICATE at the Milton Keynes and North Bucks Chamber of Commerce is now suitably prepared for a win on EuroMillions.

That's because the group participated in a unique EuroMillions Winners' Workshop last Wednesday.

Held at the chamber's offices, the workshop was run by The National Lottery and was led by social etiquette guru from The English Manner, William Hanson.

The team brushed up on their social etiquette skills and practised spraying champagne like true winners before enjoying a brief moment with a giant cheque.

The workshop was organised to promote last night's huge £85million Euro Millions draw.

According to The Sunday Times Rich List 2011, if you won the entire £85million jackpot you would become the joint 817th richest person in the country.

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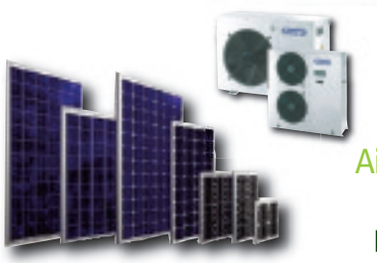
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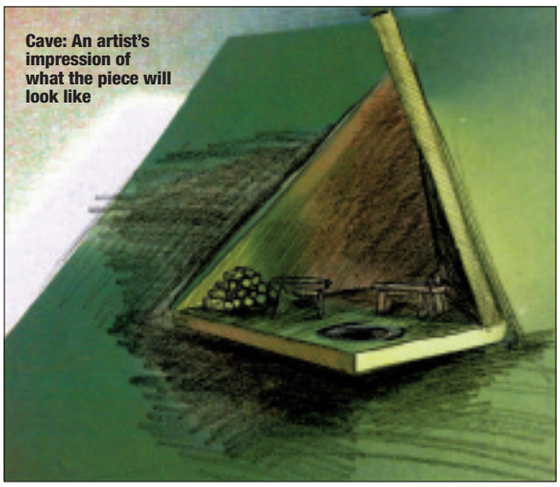

Cave: An artist's impression of what the piece will look like

VISITORS to a city park will soon be able to wile the time away and enjoy the view – in a Cave.

As part of the Campbell Park Public Art Plan, artists Heather Peak and Ivan Morison have been commissioned by MK Gallery and The Parks Trust to create a new public artwork.

Taking inspiration from the man-made landscape of the park, the new artwork, Cave, is formed from three leaning concrete panels and will nestle into the hillside of the Belvedere.

The structure will provide a resting place offering an expansive view over the countryside, and also a space to experience urban life at the edge of the new city.

Work has already started on the cave and is expected to be completed in late October.

Briony Serginson, community team manager at The Parks Trust, said: "Our Public Art Plan aims to establish Campbell Park as one of the world's best art parks, recognised for its sculptures, community art workshops, performances, exhibitions and shows.

"This exciting collaboration with MK Gallery is an important step towards achieving this ambition."

Heather and Ivan have exhibited nationally and internationally, with recent projects in Vancouver, Tasmania, Seattle and The Netherlands.

They represented Wales at the Venice Biennale of Art in 2007 and live and work in Brighton.

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Lizzie picks a fight with breast cancer

In the ring: Fundraiser Lizzie Melvin 'joins the fight' with amateur boxer Jamie Wood

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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FUNDRAISER Lizzie Melvin has shown she can pack a punch in the fight against breast cancer.

The fundraising manager for the Milton Keynes branch of Cancer Research UK stepped into the ring with cancer survivor and amateur boxer Jamie Wood to launch the charity's breast cancer awareness and fundraising campaign, Join the Fight for Women's Survival.

The aim of the night last month was to encourage people in the city to organise fundraising events to raise money for research into breast cancer.

The sparring partners wore t-shirts in pink and blue camouflage, which symbolise the charity's campaign to fight the disease.

Breast cancer affects around 150 women in Milton Keynes every year.

Lizzie said: "Supporters can request a fundraising pack for organising an event to raise money for life-saving research."

For more information visit www.jointhefight.org.uk, or call 08701 602040.

MKNEWSBRIEFS

Top freemason finishes

THE city's top freemason, Ray Reed, *pictured*, has stepped down as the head of Bucks Freemasons after seven years.

He will now be succeeded by Gordon Robertson. In his time in charge, Ray worked with 3,800 freemasons in Bucks and Slough, and in particular spent his time at the Masonic Centre in Queensway, Bletchley, and St Giles Parish Room in New Street, Stony Stratford.

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THE Open University on Monday hit 40million downloads on iTunes U.

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Children help Food Bank

PUPILS at Stole Goldington CE First School have been lending a helping hand to provisions charity The Food Bank.

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By Bill Jones
Treasure Hunters Roadshow
STAFF WRITER

Clean out your attics, cupboards, closets and jewellery boxes, because the Treasure Hunters Roadshow is coming to Milton Keynes. Our Roadshow experts will be in town examining gold, silver, coins, antiques and collectibles, .

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> "U.K. coins made before 1971 are most sought after by collectors. Some coins made before 1947 are silver and valuable because of the silver content or could be worth even more if one happens to be a rare date."

Scrap gold is expected to be a popular category this week due to soaring gold prices. Tish McCutcheon, a recent customer from Altrincham, who we spoke to, attended a recent event and walked away with £412.87 from a little jewellery box with unwanted and broken jewellery, said "This is great, I had expected maybe £150 but to get over £400 for jewellery I never wear or was broken is amazing".

Other types of items Roadshow experts hope to see include old toys and train sets. Archie Davis, roadshow toy expert spoke about some of the top toys getting great offers. "Old tin windup toys from the late 1800's through the 1960's are in great demand now." said Davis, "Especially those that are character related. Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, the Flintstones or any character toys are sought". Basically any toys made before 1965 are wanted. Train sets made by Lionel, American Flyer, Marklin, Hornby and cars by Dinky and Matchbox have the potential to fetch high prices. Davis also stressed, "Toys with boxes and in mint condition bring sensational prices. Most of the toys that come to the Roadshow are not in perfect shape but can still bring good prices from collectors."

When expert Tom Fuller was asked what he enjoyed most about working at the Roadshow, he was quick to answer "Old coins and paper currency. For as long as I can remember I have been fascinated with collecting coins. Once, I found a silver crown that I sold for £300." Tom went on to explain that any U.K. coins made before 1971 are sought after by collectors and some coins made before 1947 are valuable because of the silver content or could be worth even more if one happens to be a rare date. "We help people sort through their coins for unique dates. We buy all types of coins at the Roadshow from halfpennies to crowns, which are valuable from one coin to an entire carload. See you at the roadshow" " said Tom.

Above • Come on out and have Tony Enright appraise your collectables. These customers cashed in a large bag of broken and unwanted jewellery. They left with cheques totalling over £425.

> If you go to the Roadshow, you can cash-in your items for top dollar. Roadshow representatives will be available to purchase your items at the Holiday Inn Express (next to Harvester Pub), Tongwell Street, Milton Keynes, MK15 0YA - Tuesday 4th through Saturday 8th October.

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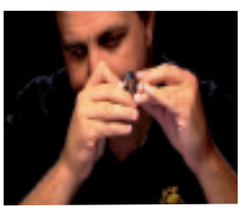

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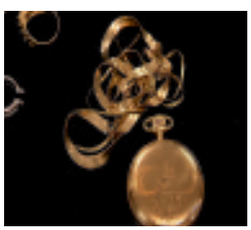

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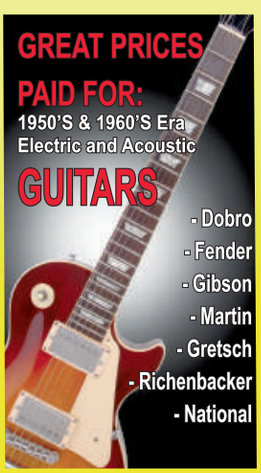

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Stadium event is big success

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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HUNDREDS of older people from across the city visited stadiummk on Friday to take part in the United Generations event.

Launched by MK Dons chairman Pete Winkelman and co-ordinated by Milton Keynes Council, the event was part of the Reactivate Bucks campaign, to get adults out and taking part in sport and other physical activities.

Special guest speaker, award-winning journalist Angela Rippon, gave tips on how to look and feel good as you get older.

The day also included lots of demonstrations of activities including dance fitness craze zumba, other forms of dancing and seated exercise.

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Pub baristas chase record

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A VILLAGE pub could soon have a peculiar and frothy claim to fame.

Staff at The Swan in Salford are hoping to have smashed the world record for the most cappuccinos made in one hour.

Until Friday, the most cappuccinos made in 60 minutes was 109 and was achieved by Cem Kormaz at the Kantine Coffee Bar in the Austrian city of Innsbruck on January 7 this year.

But now the staff at The Swan could be appearing in the Guinness Book of World Records, after a video record of their feat is confirmed, for beating that target by 41, achieving 150 in the alloted time limit.

Sister pub The Black Horse in Woburn also claimed to have smashed the record in a twin event at the same time, but managed 27 fewer than The Swan.

The effort was made in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and its World's Biggest Coffee Morning fundraising initiative on Friday, making £244.50

Owner of The Swan and The Black Horse, Andrew Coath was happy with how th event went.

He said: "To beat the world record in both pubs was a brilliant feeling but we are most delighted with the amount we were able to raise for such a good cause, Macmillan Cancer Support."

Four other pubs in the Peach group chain also claimed to have reached 150 cappuccinos.

West Bletchley Council also raised £100 in their own coffee morning at its office in Porchester Close.

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Jeff set to have ice time in city

TV PRESENTER Jeff Brazier is returning to the city to promote ice skating.

The co-presenter of OK!TV and Jeff Brazier's Skate Academy, which includes The Only Way Is Essex stars Mark Wright and James Argent, will slide in to Planet Ice on Sunday from 11am to 12.30pm and 12.45 to 2.15pm to teach skaters.

Jeff excelled when competing in the last series of ITV1's Dancing on Ice.

He said: "The Skate Academy is a brilliant, fun-packed day that not only helps you brush up your skating skills, but also helps keep you fit at the same time."

Youths' films screened

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THREE budding young movie makers will be showcasing their talents when their short films are shown on the silver screen at the 45th Co-operative Film Festival.

Marcus Delo and Bradley Watts, from Woburn Sands, will have their film, The Colossal Effect, screened at the prestigious national film festival, being held at the National Media Museum in Bradford tomorrow and Friday.

Sam Hornes, from Milton Keynes, will also have his film, Last Day, showcased at the festival.

The entries were two of 92 chosen from 162 productions submitted by young film-makers, schools, youth and art groups, colleges and video workshops from across the UK and beyond.

All the selected films, which are six minutes long or less, are from youngsters aged 19 or under.

Harry Potter stars Oliver and James Phelps, who play pranksters Fred and George Weasley in the films, will open this year's festival, sign autographs and take part in a question and answer session for festival-goers.

The Co-operative Film Festival has provided young people with the opportunity to air their films on the big screen since 1966, including Festival Patron Edgar Wright, the award-winning director of smash hits Shaun of the Dead and Hot Fuzz, who had a film screened as a youngster.

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Win a hen do for ten lucky ladies

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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ARE you a stressed 'bridezilla' or, even worse, a maid of honour that's having to put up with the demands of one?

Then perhaps MK NEWS can help alleviate some of those pre-wedding worries with our exclusive competition.

To celebrate the launch of our new weddings website - www.mk-news.co.uk/weddings - we have partnered up with Bistro Live to offer you and nine lucky friends the chance to win a hen party.

Our new website has everything you need to know about organising your dream big day.

From what accessories to wear on the day, to how to choose the best man, get clued up on all the things you need to walk down the aisle.

Or maybe you just need some advice on making a key decision about who will be taking your photographs, or what kind of car will take you from the church to the reception.

Read stories from other couples about their proposals and maybe share your own, or if you are one of the all important supporting cast and need some information on stag or hen dos or how to write a perfect speech, find out how others got on.

All you need to know: Our new website www.mk-news.co.uk/weddings

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Retail giant raises vital cancer cash

A 'VITAL' £2million has been raised in just one year for a city-based home retail giant's official charity partner.

Last week Terry Duddy, chief executive of Home Retail Group, which owns Argos and Homebase and has its headquarters in CMK, announced the significant sum had been reached in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust.

The proceeds raised by the company and its customers will go to support young people with cancer across the UK and Ireland.

The trust plans to build and maintain specialist units within hospitals, designed to feel like a 'home from home', which cost between £500,000 and £2.5million.

Simon Davies, chief executive of the trust, said: "The partnership with Argos and Homebase is the biggest Teenage Cancer Trust has ever secured and also the single most valuable.

"We have been blown away by the dedication and enthusiasm of the colleagues and customers.

"The vital funds will make an enormous contribution towards our goal of reaching every young person with cancer.

"We can't wait to see what year two will bring."

Mr Duddy said the two organisations share the common goal of improving interior spaces to make them feel like home.

He added: "During tough economic times it is more important than ever to support non-profit organisations.

"Teenage Cancer Trust is a special organisation that has impacted on our colleagues and customers like no other charity we have supported before.

"This is why we are proud to have raised £2million and contributed towards specialist cancer units for young people in the UK."

Having balls of fun: Ana Sanchez-Forner is offering knitting socials and courses for all ages at her shop

Ana will have young knitters in stitches

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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KNITTING is not just for your granny anymore.

According to Ana Sanchez-Forner, owner of The Wool Shop in Olney High Street, it is now a growing craze among the younger generations.

So much so, that she is offering knitting social groups and courses for all ages, with one session a week dedicated to helping children learn and enjoy the craft.

She said: "Knitting is a growing trend - they are starting to teach it in some schools.

"I want to encourage the creative side of the craft, it doesn't just have to be about jumpers and coats, you can do all sorts of things like iPod covers."

She now holds not only social groups but also one-to-one lessons and is considering starting a short course for people who want to learn beyond the basics.

Opened in April, The Wool Shop is giving Ana the chance to combine her business sense with a life-long passion.

"I've always been quite an arty person with a business head," she added.

"I was working in a job I didn't enjoy and I wanted to do something to create something fun and wacky and I know many people who knit.

"I've always knitted since I was little. I enjoy the creativity - you can do anything you want.

"The combinations of colours and yarns nowadays is really inspiring, you can get really wacky and strange patterns. You can throw your imagination at it."

Ana says she wants to help people to learn how to knit and feels the shop is fast becoming a success.

"I think it's taking off as local people come to the shop and say how much they like it," she added.

MKBUSINESSBRIEFS

Childcare site is Smarta

A CITY-BASED UK-wide childcare search website has been voted runner-up in a prestigious national business award.

Childcare.co.uk, run by internet entrepreneur Richard Conway, has scooped second prize in the 2011 O2 Smarta 100 awards, a collection of the UK's most resourceful and smartest businesses.

Judges, including BBC Dragon Deborah Meaden and property guru Sarah Beeny, handpicked the shortlisted 100 from thousands of entries, with the public voting on the final order.

Five gold stars for Grove

THE Grove Independent School, in Loughton, has been awarded five stars by environmental health for its catering facilities - the highest rating possible under the star scheme.

Catering manager Tracey Howes said she was extremely pleased all their hard work had been rewarded.

Pizza the Lottery jackpot?

PIZZA store Papa John's, in Newport Pagnell, is hoping to hand out a huge slice of luck by rewarding its customers with free lucky dip Lottery tickets.

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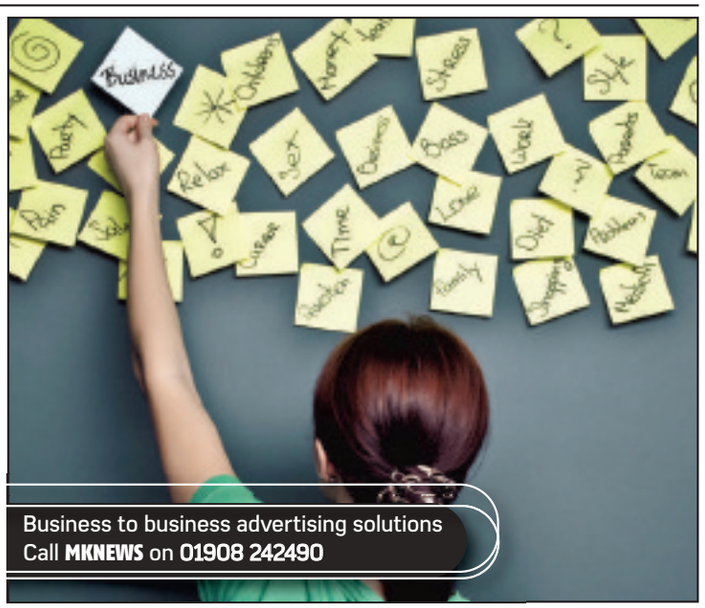

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main course
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Mahi mahi fillet served on mango ratatouille with sautéed potatoes and lime butter
Beef in Burgundy served with dauphinoise potatoes and fresh market vegetables
Roasted vegetable filo parcel served with rich tomato compote and a garlic puree

desserts
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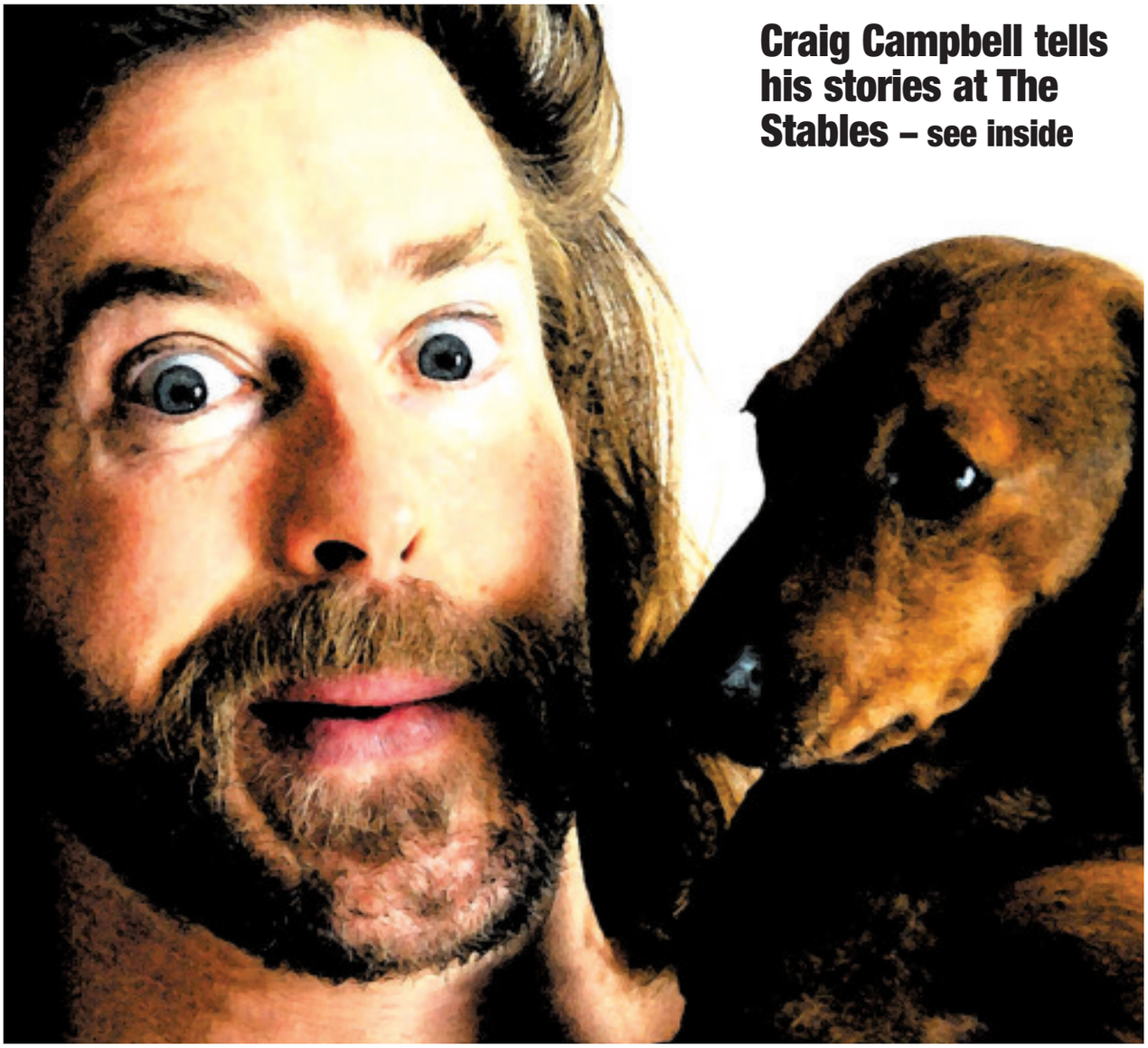

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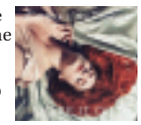
SIMON DARNELL

SHAKE IT OUT
Florence and the Machine
MANY drum kits died to bring you this song.

Of course you can't actually hear them die, but it sounds to me as though the grisly crimes are committed in a church, given the prominence of the church organ in the song.



Bonus points to La Welch for putting those chappies to work on what will doubtless be a massive hit single, but I'll be honest with you, although this song might be different to nearly anything else in the Top 40, something about that leaves me cold.

I'm not entirely sure what it is, but I suppose the best way to describe it is that Shake It Out feels almost as though it's trying a bit too hard and yet it's not quite firing on all cylinders.

Right from the opening bars, it's obvious that a lot of effort's gone into this song, but the end result (for me, anyway) doesn't have much of a spark to it.

RADIOACTIVE
Marina and the Diamonds
THIS is disappointing.

Say what you like about Marina (and, for that matter, the Diamonds), but when one of her songs turned up on the radio you could tell straight away it was her.

Everything about her first album was just a shade off-centre and distinctive, but this isn't. The vocals are still very much hers, but the tune sounds a lot like an unadventurous, radio-friendly dance remix.

When I said this was disappointing at the start of the review, I think I may have been understating things a little, this is actually pretty average.

She's done better than this before and she'll do better than this again, so my advice is to give this one a miss unless you're a Marina and the Diamonds completist.

CHRYSALIS THEATRE

SKAMPA & REZEK - CELLO & PIANO
Tomorrow, 7.30pm
SKAMPA and Rezek perform a programme of their favourite pieces, Bach's Sonata in G Major; Shubert's Sonata in A Minor 'Arpreggione'; Beethoven's Twelve Variatons on the Theme 'Ein Madchen oder Weibchen' (from Mozart's Magic Flute); Chopin's Polonaise Brillante, Faure's Elegy; and Martinu's Variations on the Theme by Rossini.

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Friday, 8pm
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JACK MCNEILL & CHARLIE HEYS
Friday, 8.45pm, Stage2
FINALISTS in the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Awards, their original songs take inspiration from folk traditions and are about the people, places, and adventures the two find themselves in. Tickets £10 in advance, or £12 on the door.

MR HONK & HIS SAD TROMBONE
Saturday, 2pm
MR HONK plays in the local brass band. He is a cheery sort of chap, but his trombone only plays the blues. Determined to get to the heart of the matter and cheer her up, Mr Honk, *pictured*, combines music and hilarious physical comedy, this is a delightful story for people from five and up. Tickets adults £8.50, under 16s £7, family of four, £28.

NEARLY DAN
Saturday, 8pm
LESS tribute and more homage to Steely Dan their approach is faithful, though not reverential and relaxed but as tight as their namesakes and their uncannily precise imitations are testament to hours of rehearsal and a great deal of talent. Tickets £17.

HEDNA'S VINTAGE NIGHTCLUB
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Monday, 8pm
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KATHRYN TICKELL
Tuesday, 8pm
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CRAIG CAMPBELL
Wednesday, October 12, 8pm
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SONG LOFT, STONY STRATFORD

ROY BAILEY
Friday, 8.15pm
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SOUTH PACIFIC

Wednesday-Saturday, October 12-22

CURRENTLY wowing audiences at London's Barbican Theatre, South Pacific opens its nationwide tour in Milton Keynes next week.

Set on a tropical island during the Second World War, this is the romantic story of two couples threatened by the realities of war and their own prejudices.

Its portrayal of Americans stationed in an unfamiliar culture in wartime remains as relevant today as when it first thrilled audiences.

Barbican cast member Samantha Womack will star in the role of Nellie Forbush, along with Loretta Ables Sayre as Bloody Mary, a performance for which she was received a Tony nomination in New York.

Welsh National Opera star Jason Howard will be starring in the role of Emile de Becque.

Jason, who also starred in the original Broadway production, is recognised as one of the UK's leading performers on the international operatic stage.

Also taking to the stage will be musical theatre stars Daniel Koek as Lt Joe Cable (following his acclaimed performance as Tony in the recent UK hit production of West Side Story) and Alex Ferns (Nathan Detroit in Donmar's Guys and Dolls) as Luther Billis.

Samantha Womack, *right*, stars in South Pacific at Milton Keynes Theatre

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Following a phenomenal demand for tickets, Milton Keynes Theatre has added an extra two mid-week matinee performances on Thursday October 13 and 20.

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SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS FESTIVAL

Tuesday-Thursday, October 13, 7pm

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Tickets £8 (concessions £6). Details of participating schools and their performance night can be obtained from the box office on 01908 324422, or www.stantonbury.org.uk.

MK GALLERY

SCRATCH NIGHT

Tomorrow, 7pm

ARTIST Wayne Lloyd's practice includes performance, drawing, comic book making, film and animation.

His work possesses a 'non-art' quality and his processes compress, stretch and separate information. Concerned with the politics of culture and its representation, his live performance-films break the distinction between cinema and art.

To mark the launch of the Community without Propinquity exhibition in MK Gallery's Project Space, Lloyd will give a special narrative performance of A Clockwork Orange, a film in which the modern architecture of new towns has a distinct role. Free.

Artist Wayne Lloyd will be at MK Gallery's Scratch Nights tomorrow

COMMUNITY WITHOUT PROPINQUITY

Friday-November 27

THIS project explores the roles of contemporary art and communities in new towns across the globe and includes an exhibition, a video programme, six new artist's commissions, a research laboratory, publication and symposium.

The exhibition, in the Project Space, includes work related to Shenzhen (China), Chandigarh (India), Brasilia (Brazil) and UK new towns, such as Harlow, Thamesmead, Runcorn and Stevenage, providing a context for cities built on land with no previous significant population.

The video programme, in the Video Space, explores the utopian social and architectural plans of new towns, from Chinese replicas of a British seaside town to a German modernist estate, via a new city that exists entirely online.

There will also be an exploration of the social and cultural policies of early Milton Keynes with organisations such as The Open University, MK's Channel 40 TV station from the 1970s and the communal housing communities.

This evolving project will culminate in a final weekend of events, a public symposium where research is presented and a publication.

The title Community without Propinquity is taken from a 1963 speech made by Melvin Webber, an urbanist and consultant with the Milton Keynes Development Corporation.

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Sun 16 Oct
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COMPETITION

HALOWE'EN'S Freaky Fortnight returns to Mead Open Farm on Wednesday, October 15, packed with spine tingling surprises.

And to celebrate, we have six family tickets (two adults and two children) to give away this week.

With a mixture of scary shocks and little boos, it's the perfect family venue for Hallowe'en with scare ratings for all activities.

Get your heart racing in the Haunted Castle with spooky stage sets, ghouls and ghosts, brave the Field of Terror or board the Phantom Trailer Rides (extra scary after 5pm).

While for the younger visitors, there's Creepy Tots Corner, pumpkin carving, ghostly pirate ship storytime and the Witches Trail with treats to win.

You'll find so much to do, especially with Mead Open Farm's other animal fun and Shaggy's huge PlayWorld.

For your chance to be a winner, answer the following question: When does Freaky Fortnight start at Mead Open Farm?

a. October 10
b. October 15
c. October 31

Send your entry, along with your name, address and contact details, to competitions@mk-news.co.uk, or MK NEWS, 1 Diamond Court, Fox Milne, MK15 0DU. The closing date for entries is Wednesday, October 12. The editor's decision is final.

Mead Open Farm is located in Billington, just south of Leighton Buzzard. Please note pumpkin carving incurs an extra cost to cover the cost of the pumpkin. For more information call 01525 852954, or visit www.meadopenfarm.co.uk.

YORK HOUSE, STONY STRATFORD

STONY STRATFORD BIG DRAW

Saturday, 10am-4pm

JOIN professional artist and illustrator Jonny Boatfield to help create the history of the world on the sea bed and transform York House in London Road into an underwater world.

The central figure will be Neptune carrying the weight of history on his shoulders surrounded by material seaweed floating on the air, extinct fish, mermaids, U-boats, sunken ships and aeroplanes, divers, shells, octopusses and Atlantis-type cities.

There will be moving sea lighting for a sub-aqua feel and your artistic creations will be hung from the ceiling to give a sensual as well as a visual dimension.

Music will also play an important part to stimulate the senses and add to the underwater atmosphere.

This is not just for the kids, so take along granny, brother, neighbours, friends, mum and dad for glorious free imagination-busting day of drawing, decorating, stories and loads of fun.

CINEWORLD, XSCAPE

THE KITCHEN: LIVE

Tomorrow, 7pm

THE National Theatre Live is broadcasting The Kitchen by Arnold Wesker to 120 cinemas and performing arts venues in the UK and worldwide.

In the kitchen of an enormous West End restaurant in the 1950s, the orders are piling up.

Thrown together by their work, chefs, waitresses and porters from across Europe argue and flirt as they race to keep up.

Peter, a high-spirited young cook, seems to thrive on the pressure. In between preparing dishes, he manages to strike up an affair with married waitress Monique, the whole time dreaming of a better life.

But in the all-consuming clamour of the kitchen, nothing is far from the brink of collapse.

Arnold Wesker's extraordinary play premiered at the Royal Court in 1959 and has since been performed in more than 30 countries. National Theatre Live performances are filmed live in high definition and broadcast via satellite to more than 700 cinemas around the world.

For ticket details, visit www.ntlive.com.

HEART FM COLUMN

HEART breakfast show presenters Stuart and Natalie wake you up each weekday morning and write to you each week in MK NEWS.

James Morrison has just released his latest album The Awakening and he joined us to tell us how things were going. We wanted to know about the album title and whether he is a morning kind of guy.

"I hate waking up, every time I wake up, I feel I'm being born and its just so painful. It takes me about half-an-hour, and once I'm up it's off to find the kettle, which I just about manage to turn on," he said.

Once we'd established that he's not an early morning person we wanted to know about the best and worst places he'd been awakened.

"Worst place had to be in the back of a van at a party," he said.

"I woke up, wet, alone and locked inside this van in the pitch black."

"The best place was waking up in Hawaii. I woke up feeling like I was in Jurassic Park, it was amazing."

We took the opportunity to congratulate him on the birth of his daughter and asked him why he picked the name Elsie.

"We purposely picked an old lady's name as it doesn't sound fun, it sounds quite straight laced so hopefully the boys won't be interested."

One the same track we wondered if that meant he could call his son Harold.

"Nah you want a boy to be little go getter, so I'd go for something like Blade," he said.

Stuart and Natalie present Heart Breakfast Monday-Friday, 6-10am, on Heart 103.3FM.

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DAILY LIFE

TOMORROW

WOMEN'S Walking Network with The Parks Trust at Lodge Lake. Meet in car park Bradwell Road, Dansteed Way, 10am-noon, £1 per person.

1,000 Eggs on a Bicycle. An illustrated talk by a former BR traction engineer, Colin Boocock. Railway Correspondence and Travel Society, The Crown, Market Square, Stony Stratford, 7.30pm. Non-members welcome. More details at www.rcts.org.uk.

GIFTS and Challenges of the Quaker Way. Talk by Geoffrey Durham, well-known broadcaster and magician, followed by questions and discussion. Guildhall, Church of Christ the Cornerstone, CMK, starts at 7.30pm, free.

BLETCHLEY Archaeological and Historical Society, Murders in 19th Century Buckinghamshire. Speaker Leonard Woodley, a former policeman for 30 years. His talk covers murders ranging from Napoleonic Wars to the 1890s. Rectory Cottages, Church Green Road, Bletchley, 8pm, visit www.mkheritage.co.uk.

FRIDAY

MK PEACE and Justice Network talk by Peter Hughes called Alternative Currencies. At 8.15pm, The Well at Willen. All welcome. Call 01908 561365.

SATURDAY

TO CELEBRATE its tenth anniversary, Threads and Patches will display quilts made by customers and staff. Opens 10am at Dobbies Garden Centre, Fenny Stratford. Vote for your favourite in the 'Something to Treasure' competition. Visit www.threadsandpatches.co.uk. Also on Sunday.

Handmade and Vintage Fair, Middleton Hall, thecentre:mk. Free entry to 80 stalls and thousands of gorgeous, one-off bargains, 9am-7pm.

MK RAMBLERS, eight-mile circular walk via Bourne End Farm. Meet at 10am in Court Road (off High Street) in Cranfield. Bring packed lunch. Details 01908 612412.

PICTURE of Lets Dance 2011. A celebratory dance event, involving a whole range of styles from line dancing to zumba and everything in between. Madcap Theatre, Wolverton, 11am-4pm. Contact 01908 253229 or www.reactivatebucks.org/miltonkeynes.

NCT Nearly New Baby & Toddler Sale, Radcliffe School, Wolverton. Baby to pre-school children's clothes (ages nought to seven), toys and books, prams, cots and other equipment. Time 12.30-2.00pm. NCT members admitted from 12.15pm. Admission £1 per person.

WHOSE Turn is it Anyway? Madcap, Wolverton. Comedy team is back with a show made up of very silly improvisation games where the comics playing don't know what the situations or characters will be. Tickets £8/£7 if reserved, book online at www.whoseturn.org.uk, or call 01908 605502.

SUNDAY

MK RAMBLERS. Enjoy the Chilterns with a 12-mile circular walk via Dorton, Brill, Chilton and Nether Winchendon. Meet at Emerson Valley local centre at 8.30am for lifts to Ashenden. More details from 01908 320728.

ORIENTEERING. Learn how to use a map while having fun. Run by South Midlands Orienteering Club. Meet 10am Caldecotte Lake, Windmill car park, Lakeside Grove, Bletcham Way. Visit www.smoc.info for further details, costs £3 each.

EASY Riders. A 20-mile cycle tour of the lakes within Milton Keynes. Meet 10am, Willen Lake south by the miniature railway. Under 16s must be accompanied an adult.

WOUGHTON Leisure Centre. Enjoy a pint and some live music in the theatre. This week's band Palmerston, country/folk/rock. Starts at 1pm, free entry, families welcome.

A WALK in the Woods week. A six-mile walk in Salcey Forest with MK Ramblers. Meet at 9.30am at the cafe car park (GR SP795517). Parking costs £3, the cafe opens at 8.30am.

WAGGY Walks. Take a stroll with The Parks Trust and man's best friend in Howe Park Wood. Meet 10am in the car park in Chaffron Way. Costs £1 per dog.

MONDAY

WEST Bletchley Gardening Club meeting. Talk by Hazel Roberts, interesting things with homegrown produce. Freeman Memorial Methodist Church Hall, Buckingham Road, Bletchley, 7.45pm. Members £1.50, non-members £3.50. For more details, visit www.vcsmk.org.uk/wb_gardenclub.

WEDNESDAY

OPEN Film Society, Winter's Bone. Ree cares for her mother and younger siblings. Her father skips bail having put up the house as bond and she sets out to find him. Showing 6.15 and 8.45pm, Old Lecture Theatre, Open University. More details at www.openfilmsociety.co.uk.

THE BUSZY, ELDERGATE, CMK

CONCRETE PINT BEER FESTIVAL

Wednesday-Saturday, October 12-15.

FOLLOWING the success of 2010's Concrete Pint, this year's beer festival will have more than 60 beers, as well as a selection of ciders and perrys on offer for the discerning real ale drinkers of MK.

The barrels will be tapped and ready for Wednesday's opening at 5pm and to celebrate the Campaign for Real Ale's 40th birthday there will be live music on Thursday, Friday and Saturday to keep the party swinging.

The festival will be held at a new central location, The Buszy, at the bus station in CMK and with feature beers from Kent and the south coast, as well as local breweries around the region.

Festival organiser, Doug Dillow, said: "We are really excited about this year's festival as we have a fantastic new venue in a central new location, a larger range of beers and a great selection of live bands."

The festival opening times are Wednesday from 5-11pm and Thursday to Saturday between noon and 11pm.

CAMRA members will enter the festival for free. For non-CAMRA members, the entry charge will be £3.

For further information, visit www.mkcamra.org.uk/beerfestival.

■ From today the four Wetherspoons pubs in the city are also holding a beer festival.

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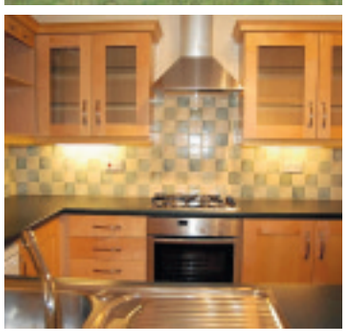

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- Lounge/Diner
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- Refitted Bathroom
- Refitted Ensuite to Master

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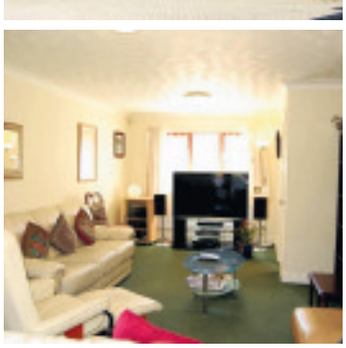

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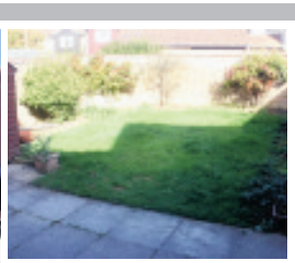

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- Conservatory
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- Driveway and Garage

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- Separate Annexe
- Cloakroom
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Conservatory

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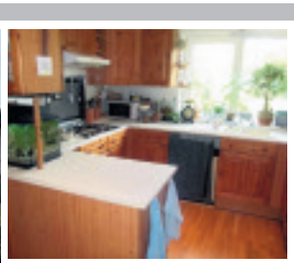

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- Utility
- Driveway & Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens

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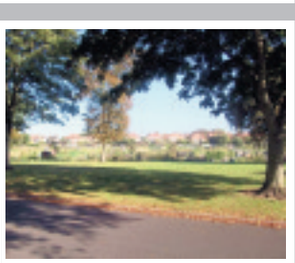

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- Gardens
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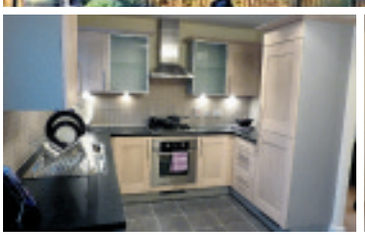

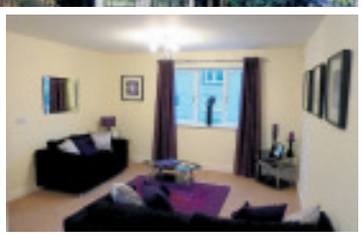

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Garage & Parking

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Downstairs cloakroom
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Gardens to front and rear
No upper chain

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Lounge
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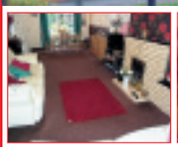


- 3 bedrooms
- 1950's semi detached
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Lounge/diner
- UPVC double glazing
- Gas to radiator heating
- Front & rear gardens
- Situated on a corner plot

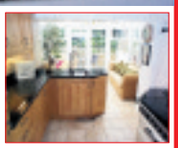
WOLVERTON £140,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Mid terraced house
- Separate reception rooms
- Full cellar
- Sealed unit double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- Utility room
- Walking distance to local shops
- No upper chain

WOLVERTON £170,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Double bay end of terrace
- Upstairs bathroom
- Separate reception rooms
- UPVC double glazing
- Gas to radiator heating
- Outbuilding/utility room
- Front & rear gardens
- Garage/workshop

COSGROVE £179,995



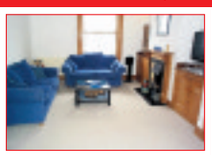
- Two bedrooms
- Stone built cottage
- Approx. 300 years old
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Re-fitted kitchen with granite worktops
- UPVC double glazed Conservatory
- Re-fitted upstairs bathroom
- Storage barns
- Village location

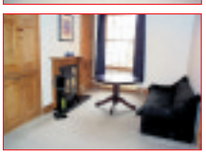
WOLVERTON £190,000

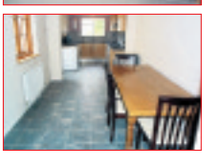
- 3 bed extended semi detached
- Separate reception rooms
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Utility room
- UPVC double glazing
- Off road rear parking
- Backs onto Wolverton Recreation Grounds

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK

WOLVERTON £160,000

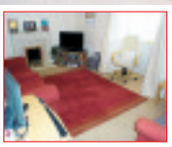






- 2 double bedrooms
- Many original features
- Victorian fireplaces
- Extended mid terraced
- Re-fitted kitchen/breakfast room
- Enclosed rear garden
- Full cellar
- Upstairs bathroom
- Double garage

WOLVERTON £180,000



- 3 bedrooms
- End of terrace
- Built in 2003
- Kitchen with appliances
- Dining room
- Downstairs cloakroom
- En-suite to bedroom one
- Situated on a corner plot
- Driveway & garage

WOLVERTON £150,000

- 2 double bedrooms
- Undergoing complete refurbishment
- Brand new kitchen
- Brand new upstairs bathroom
- UPVC double glazing
- New gas to radiator heating system
- Victorian style fireplaces
- No upper chain

GALLEY HILL £150,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Semi detached house
- Separate dining room
- Downstairs cloakroom
- UPVC double glazing
- Gas to radiator heating
- Enclosed rear garden
- Driveway & single garage
- Cul-de-sac location

WOLVERTON £152,000

- 3 double bedrooms
- Two separate reception rooms
- Downstairs bathroom
- Separate w.c.
- Gas to radaitor heating
- Replacement combination boiler
- Front & rear gardens
- Single garage

BRADVILLE £112,500

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- Maisonette on two floors
- One/two reception rooms
- Re-fitted bathroom
- UPVC double glazing
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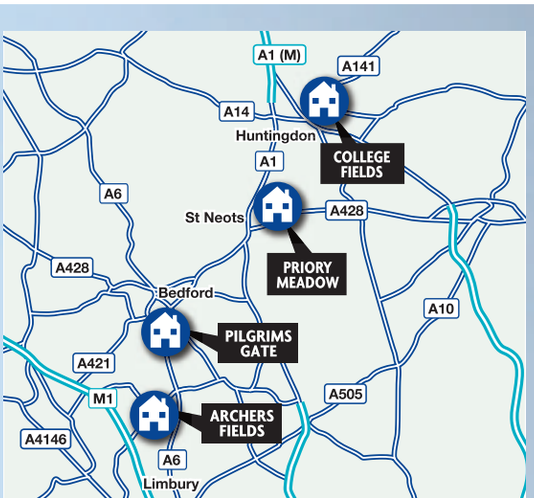

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"Our apartments in Milton Keynes have been exceptionally popular" comments Paul Walker, Sales Director for Barratt Northampton. "We take pride in providing apartments that offer plenty of space, with many properties including two double-bedrooms and contemporary open-plan living spaces.

"And our apartment residents don't have to compromise when it comes to beautiful outdoor spaces. Our developments are planned to offer plenty of leafy green areas, footpaths and cycleways, which give residents fantastic spaces to relax outside.

"What's more, thanks to the government-backed FirstBuy scheme, first time buyers now have the ideal opportunity to make the move to a home of their own. Barratt Northampton has secured funding that will enable hundreds of first time buyers to purchase their own property and our apartments in Milton Keynes are ideal."

Under FirstBuy, buyers will be offered a loan of up to 20 per cent of the price of the property, jointly funded by Barratt Northampton and the Government's Homes and Communities Agency (HCA).

The buyers then have to find the remaining 80 per cent of the price themselves. Up to 76 per cent of this could be a mortgage, leaving a deposit of just four per cent. In practice, that means that a buyer in Milton Keynes could move into an apartment in Stony Stratford for as little as £93,750 and with a deposit as low as £6,250.

Next to FirstBuy Barratt Northampton also offers first time buyers a new scheme with Hitachi Capital.

Hitachi Capital has teamed up with Aldermore Bank, a specialist lender, who will offer a market leading 80 per cent mortgage. Under the scheme, a typical buyer would only need to raise a deposit of five per cent of the total price of the property. Hitachi Capital can then arrange a fixed rate unsecured loan of up to 15 per cent of the purchase price to make up the balance of the required deposit.

Paul Walker, Sales Director at Barratt Northampton, said: "We know that there is enormous demand for home ownership amongst local people who have good incomes but are currently stuck in rented accommodation."

"These new offers are tailored to suit their needs. It is an inexpensive way to borrow a deposit required to buy a home. I would urge anyone who is interested to contact us to find out how these ground-breaking schemes can help them to realise the dream of home ownership."

To be eligible to apply for the loans, applicants must be UK residents, aged over 21 and have both a good credit rating and sufficient income to service both the deposit loan and mortgage repayments. The offer is available to all buyers, not just those buying for the first time.

"We're currently offering our apartments at a number of our developments across Milton Keynes, which is a fantastic location for anyone looking for a lively place to live with plenty of things to see and do. The centre of Milton Keynes has so much to offer, with lots of restaurants, high street shops and leisure facilities.

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Closing date for applications is Friday 7 October 2011, 12 noon
Interview date Friday 14 October 2011

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First interview date: 11 November 2011
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Closing date for both posts: 23 October 2011.

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For more details, and an information pack, please contact Mrs Tibbett's on (01908) 617868, or email giffardparkc@milton-keynes.gov.uk.

Visits to the school are welcomed and encouraged.

Closing date; Friday 14th October 2011
Interviews to be held: Thursday 20th October 2011

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Headteacher: Mike Talbot BA (Ed) HONS NPQH
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Marron Lane – Wolverton - Milton Keynes - MK12 5DE Email greenleysjunior@milton-keynes.gov.uk

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Interviews will be held on Thursday 20th October 2011.

Please telephone the school if you would like to apply for this exciting post, sorry but CVs cannot be accepted. Grange Specialist School practices Safer Recruitment therefore this posts is subject to enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Clearance and references. Visits to the school are welcomed. The closing date for all applications is Friday 14th October 2011.

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For an application pack please visit our website www.spurgeons.org

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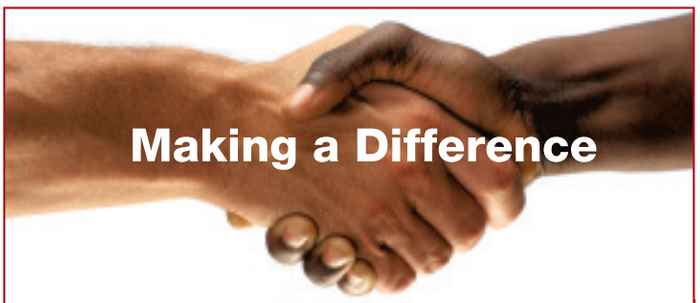

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To obtain an application pack for the above post please send an e-mail request to the school at stjohnsspecial@schools.bedfordshire.gov.uk or for further details, please contact the school office.

Closing date for applications is 12 noon on Tuesday 11 October 2011
Interviews will be held on Wednesday 19 October 2011

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Closing date: 12pm on Thursday, 20th October 2011.
Interview date: Wednesday, 26th October 2011.

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The closing date for applications to be received in school is Thursday 13th October 2011 with interviews taking place on Tuesday 18th October.

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Recruitment, *The Hazeley Academy, Emperor Drive, Milton Keynes, MK8 0PT*
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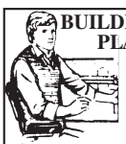

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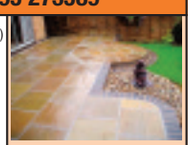

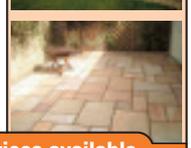

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Audit of Accounts 2010-11
Notice of Public Rights
Audit Commission Act 1998 – Section 14
Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011, Section 8 Conclusion of Audit

Notice is given that the audit of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2011 has been completed, and that any interested local government elector may inspect and make copies of the statement of accounts at the address below between the hours 10am and 4pm. Alternatively you may request a copy of the statement by writing to the address below. This right is conferred on local government electors by Section 14 of the Audit Commission Act 1998.

David Skinner, Director of Finance and Treasurer,
Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes Fire Authority, Brigade Headquarters, Stocklake, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP20 1BD

For more information call 01296 744671 or email dskinner@bucksfire.gov.uk

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

APPLICATION TO LICENCE PREMISES FOR CIVIL CEREMONIES

Notice is given that the following application has been received for a Licence for the use of premises listed below for civil ceremonies.

A copy of the application and covering plans will be available for inspection at The Register Office Bracknell House Aylesbury Street Bletchley Milton Keynes on weekdays between 9.30am and 4.30pm from Monday 10 October 2011 until Friday 28 October 2011.

Anyone wishing to object to this application should write to the Proper Officer for Registration Milton Keynes Council Saxon Court 502 Avebury Boulevard Central Milton Keynes MK9 3HS stating their objections by Monday 31 October 2011.

Paul J Sanders, Proper Officer for Registration

Name and Address of Applicant
The Swan Revived Hotel, High Street, Newport Pagnell, Bucks MK16 8AR

Rooms to be licensed
The Stafford Room
The Cob and Pen Restaurant

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ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2011

NOTICE OF AUDIT OPINION

The audit opinion on the accounts of the Council for the year ending 31st March 2011 was issued by the Audit Commission on 28th September 2011.

A Statement of Accounts, as audited, can be inspected by any elector of the Borough at the Strategic Finance section, Saxon Court, 502 Avebury Boulevard in Central Milton Keynes from 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.

An elector may make copies of the whole or part of the Statement, or, alternatively, may purchase a copy of the Statement for £10 by contacting the Strategic Finance section (01908 252243). The Statement can also be viewed on the Internet, at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/Finance.

Tim Hannam
Corporate Director – Resources
Milton Keynes Council, Saxon Court, 502 Avebury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3HS

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS AGENCY

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)(a) AND (7) THE M1 MOTORWAY (JUNCTIONS 14 TO 15, MILTON KEYNES) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION AND PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 201_

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the M1 Motorway in Milton Keynes, to provide a safe working environment for the workforce during the installation of replacement Motorway Incident Detection (MIDAS) loops in the carriageway.

The works would take place overnight (10pm to 5am), northbound on Monday 31 October and southbound on Wednesday 2 November. The works would be carried out using a combination of lane closures or full carriageway closures with hard shoulder running. A temporary speed limit would be in force in the interest of safety.

The effect of the Order would be to -

1. impose a 50 miles per hour speed limit on the M1 -
   - 1.1 northbound from a point 905 metres south of Willen Road overbridge for a distance of 2540 metres north, and
   - 1.2 southbound from a point 35 metres north of Willen Road overbridge for a distance of 2540 metres south;
2. close the M1 -
   - 2.1 northbound carriageway from a point 55 metres south of Willen Road overbridge for a distance of 1690 metres north, and
   - 2.2 southbound carriageway from a point 815 metres south of Forest Road overbridge for a distance of 1690 metres south; and
3. allow traffic to run on the hard shoulder of the M1 -
   - 3.1 northbound carriageway from a point 245 metres north of Willen Road overbridge for a distance of 1150 metres north, and
   - 3.2 southbound carriageway from a point 1115 metres south of Forest Road overbridge for a distance of 1150 metres south.

The temporary mandatory speed limit (which would not apply to emergency service or special forces vehicles) and closures (which would not apply to works, emergency service, traffic officer or winter service maintenance vehicles) would be clearly indicated by traffic signs throughout the works.

The Order would come into force on 24 October 2011 and have a maximum duration of eighteen months.

Mrs A V Middleton, An official of the Highways Agency

General enquiries relating to this notice may be made in writing to Graham Harris at the Highways Agency, Woodlands, Manton Lane, Manton Industrial Estate, Bedford, MK41 7LW or by telephoning him

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

The following applications may be inspected at the Planning, Economy and Development Department, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes. Representations, if any, to be submitted in writing to the above address within 21 days of the publication of this notice.

SECTION 73	**WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
11/02058/FUL	Insertion of 6 additional roof lights and retention of 3 existing roof lights at The Stonehouse, 18A Northampton Road, Lavendon.
11/02093/FUL	Erection of single storey front and rear extensions and first floor side dormer window at 15 Crofts End, Sherington.
11/02094/FUL	Construction of ramp to front door, new entrance way to kitchen, new lift motor room and installation of new windows (re-submission of 10/02700/FUL) at Beckett House Nursing Home, Pitcher Lane, Loughton.
11/02125/TCA	Notification of intention to fell one Weeping Willow (T1) at Chestnuts, South Street, Castlethorpe.
SECTION 67 & 73	**LISTED BUILDING WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
11/02062/TPO	Tree preservation order consent to remove lower branches of one Yew (Taxas Baccata) tree to a height of 5m and raise crown of one Sycamore (Acer Pseudoplatanus) tree to a height of 5m at The Lodge, 8 Wolverton Road, Newport Pagnell.
11/02063/TCA	Notification of intention to reduce the crown by 30% of one holly tree (T110) and to fell one conifer (T68) and plant one cherry tree at All Saints Ecumenical Church, Willen Road, Milton Keynes Village.
11/02102/LBC	Listed building consent for the removal of concrete roof sheets to dual roof pitches made of artificial Welsh slate roof tiles, installation of new insulation to the roof, new sarking felt and timber battons, and the proposed repair of the existing chimney stack and sundry brickwork repair works at South And North Barns, 1 - 3 Bull Court, Market Place, Olney.
	WIDER PUBLICITY
11/01984/FUL	Erection of a 50m high anemometry mast for a temporary period of up to six months at Open University, Walton Drive, Walton.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT
(GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURES) ORDER 1995
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8
MAJOR

11/01477/MIN	Construction of site access, extraction of sand and gravel, temporary siting of plant and machinery and restoration to agriculture at Land South of Caldecote Farm, Willen Road, Newport Pagnell.
11/01910/FUL	Change of use from industrial to a training facility (Use Class D1) at Unit B Libra, Maidstone Road, Kingston.

Nick Fenwick, Assistant Director Planning, Economy and Development

NOTICE OF PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER
IMPORTANT – THIS COMMUNICATION AFFECTS YOUR PROPERTY
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(BRIDLEWAY 10, HANSLOPE) PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2011

The above Order, made on 27th September 2011, under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980, will divert the public footpath running from point A at OS grid reference SP 480 532 248 387 in a north- north-east direction for a distance of approximately 360 metres to point C at OS grid reference SP 480 606 248 733 as shown on the order map, to a line running from point A on the order map at OS grid reference SP 480 532 248 387 in a north-westerly direction for a distance of approximately 285 metres to point B at OS grid reference SP 480 383 248 596. The new bridleway will have a tarmac surface with gravel and the width will be 3 metres throughout.

A copy of the Order and the order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at the Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes between 9.00am and 5.00pm on any working day and also at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Milton Keynes, during normal opening hours. Copies of the Order and map may be purchased from the Civic Offices at the price of £3.00.

Any representations about or objections to the order may be **sent in writing** (not e-mail) to the Assistant Director Law & Governance, Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes MK9 3EJ not later than 11th November 2011. Please state the grounds on which they are made, quoting reference P&E 003660/SB.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn, the Council for the Borough of Milton Keynes may confirm the order as an unopposed order. If the order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment for confirmation any representations and objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the order.

Dated 5th October 2011.

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(VARIOUS ROADS, BEANHILL) (PARKING AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes to make an Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The Order will affect all classes of vehicle and will have the following effects within parts of roads in Beanhill, Milton Keynes as stated below:-

1. The introduction of no waiting at any time restrictions along parts of Wastel and Dodkin;
2. The introduction of limited waiting restrictions between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm from Monday to Friday along parts of both sides of Wastel;
3. The introduction of limited waiting restrictions between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm from Monday to Friday along part of the eastern side of Dodkin;
4. The introduction of 1 hour limited waiting restrictions between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm from Monday to Saturday and no return within 2 hours along part of Dodkin, from a point approximately 25.5 metres north-east of its junction with Maslin Drive for a distance of approximately 52.5 metres in a north-easterly direction;
5. The introduction of one disabled person's parking bay on Dodkin, at a point approximately 20 metres north-east of its junction with Maslin Drive.

Exemptions from the proposed Order include: emergency service vehicles, military vehicles, statutory undertakers, building, demolition and excavation, disabled persons badge holders, and some others.

Copies of the proposed Order together with maps showing the areas referred to along with a Statement of Reasons for proposing the Order, may be inspected during opening hours at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes.

Any objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be **made in writing** and sent to the undersigned to be received no later than 26 October 2011 quoting reference BAS-P&E-4256-1807.

Dated 5th October 2011.

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(VARIOUS ROADS, NEW BRADWELL) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes to make an Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The Order will affect all classes of vehicle and will have the following effects within parts of roads within New Bradwell, Milton Keynes:-

1. The introduction of 2 hour limited waiting restrictions and no return within 1 hour from Monday to Friday between 6.00 am and 4.00 pm along part of the north side of Newport Road (the slip road);
2. The introduction of no waiting at any time restrictions along parts of the north and south sides of Newport Road (the slip road);
3. The introduction of no waiting at any time restrictions along parts of the north, south, east and west sides of St Peters Way.

Exemptions from the proposed Order include: emergency service vehicles, military vehicles, statutory undertakers, building, demolition and excavation, disabled persons badge holders, and some others.

Copies of the proposed Order together with maps showing the areas referred to along with a Statement of Reasons for proposing the Order, may be inspected during opening hours at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, Wolverton Library, Town Hall, Creed Street, Wolverton and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes.

Any objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be **made in writing** and sent to the undersigned to be received no later than 26 October 2011 quoting reference BAS-P&E-4268-1808.

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

Central Bedfordshire

(HARLINGTON ROAD/CHURCH ROAD/COMMON LANE, SUNDON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council intend not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along that length of Harlington Road/Church Road/Common Lane, Sundon which extends from the Old Landfill site entrance on Church Road to the de-restriction signs at the north east of the village on Harlington Road, including Common Lane.

This temporary closure is required to enable surfacing works to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place from Wednesday 26th to Friday 28th October 2011 between 8am and 6pm. Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed north on Harlington Rd then Sundon Rd., Harlington to Station Rd. Turn left and continue on Station Rd then Toddington Rd to A5120, Harlington Rd., Toddington. Turn left and continue on A5120 to B530 Fancott Bridleway. Turn left and continue on B530 to B579, Luton Rd., Chalton. Turn left and continue on B579 over M1 to Sundon Rd. Turn left and continue on Sundon Rd to Church Rd., Sundon and site and vice versa. There is no alternative route for Common Lane.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 26th October 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Central Bedfordshire Highways, Tel: 0300 300 8049.

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

(SUNDON ROAD, STREATLEY/STREATLEY ROAD, SUNDON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

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This temporary closure is required to enable patching and surface dressing works to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place during 4 periods of up to 3 days each:
Closure 1 is expected to take place between 24th October and end of December 2011.
Closure 2 is expected to take place during April/May 2012.
Closure 3 is expected to take place during June/July 2012.
Closure 3 is expected to take place during August/September 2012.
In all cases closure times are between 9.00am and 3.30pm.
Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed on Manor Rd to Sundon Park Rd. Turn left and continue on Sundon Park Rd to roundabout with Bramingham Rd., Luton. Take 1st exit and continue on Bramingham Rd to Icknield Way. Turn left onto Icknield Way and continue to roundabout with A6. Take 2nd exit and continue on A6 to roundabout with Church Rd., Streatley. Take 1st exit and continue on Church Rd then Sharpenhoe Rd to Sundon Rd and site and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 24th October 2011 for a period of twelve months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Central Bedfordshire Highways, Tel: 0300 300 8049.

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

(B653 LOWER HARPENDEN ROAD, EAST HYDE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council intend not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along that length of Lower Harpenden Road, East Hyde which extends from the A505 Gypsy Lane to the Hertfordshire county boundary.

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The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed in a south-easterly direction on B653 to Station Rd., Harpenden. Turn right and continue on Station Rd to the A1081, High St. Turn right and continue on A1081 to Kidney Wood roundabout, Luton. Take 3rd exit and continue on Airport Way to next roundabout. Take 1st exit and continue to next roundabout. Take 2nd exit and continue over next roundabout onto Lower Harpenden Rd. Continue to site and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 24th October 2011 for a period of twelve months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

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CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

(B579 LUTON ROAD, CHALTON)

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The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed south on B579 to Sundon Rd. Turn right and continue on Sundon Rd to East End, Houghton Regis. Take 3rd exit and continue on East End then The Green and High St. to the A5120 Bedford Rd. Turn right and continue on A5120 through Toddington to the B579 Fancott Bridleway. Turn right and continue on B579 to Luton Rd and site and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 24th October 2011 for a period of twelve months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

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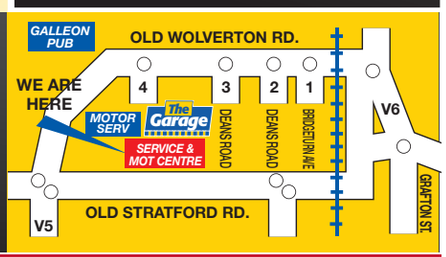

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AUG 6 HARTLEPOOL (H)	D	2-2
AUG 9 CHELTENHAM (A) CC1	W	4-1
AUG 13 EXETER (A)	W	2-0
AUG 16 YEOVIL (A)	W	1-0
AUG 20 CHESTERFIELD (H)	W	6-2
AUG 23 NORWICH (A) CC2	W	4-0
AUG 27 STEVENAGE (H)	W	1-0
AUG 30 BRENTFORD (H) JPT1	D	3-3
(BRENTFORD WON 4-3 ON PENS)		
SEP 3 CARLISLE (A)	W	3-1
SEP 10 SHEFF WED (A)	L	3-1
SEP 17 HUDDERSFIELD (H)	D	1-1
SEP 20 BURNLEY (A) CC3	L	2-1
SEP 24 BURY (A)	D	0-0
SEP 27 CHARLTON (H)	D	1-1
OCT 1 NOTTS COUNTY (H)	W	3-0
OCT 10 OLDHAM (A)		
OCT 15 BOURNEMOUTH (H)		
OCT 22 SCUNTHORPE (H)		
OCT 25 SHEFF UTD (A)		
OCT 29 WALSALL (A)		
NOV 5 ROCHDALE (H)		
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DEC 31 BRENTFORD (A)		
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JAN 14 CARLISLE (H)		
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SPORTSHORTS

MK SUNDAY LEAGUE

WILLEN kept their 100 per cent record and stay on top of the Premier League with a 4-2 win at Padbury AFC, goals coming from Bass, Pinnock, Raynor and Smith.

Stony Stratford also kept their perfect record with a comprehensive 15-0 win against Open University with goals coming from Archer (4), Wing, (3) Cole (2), Alder, Davis, Grubb, Reeves, Sear and Spratt.

The other games saw Great Mile Ash keep up the pressure at the top with a 5-0 win against FC Lifesearch, CS Athletic and Kings Arms play out a 3-3 draw and Loughton Athletic and Stantonbury Social A share the spoils in a 1-1 draw.

In Division One, Olney Town defeated Stantonbury The Manor 4-1 in the battle of the 100 per cent records, with Greg Hardie netting a hat-trick.

FC MMIX stay level at the top with a close 1-0 win against Punjab Utd, and Stantonbury Social B remain undefeated after a 0-0 draw against AFC Santander.

The other games saw MK Legends and MK United share the spoils in a 1-1 draw, and it was the same score between Stacey Bushes and Buckingham United.

Stoke Hammond MK defeated New City Saints 3-0.

Sunday's fixtures are dominated by the round two of the knock-out cup – holders Stony Stratford take on unbeaten Stantonbury Social B from Division One.

MK Dons assistant manager JOHN GORMAN writes exclusively for MK NEWS every week

WE had a great result against Notts County on Saturday, and myself, Karl and all the coaches were delighted to get back to winning ways.

It was a difficult game even though they went down to ten men, as it is easy to defend.

Sometimes it can be harder to play against ten than 11, but I thought we were well in command.

Angelo Balanta scored with a wonderful finish, and it was also a good finish by Dan Powell.

Dean Bowditch had a good game and he was unlucky not to score too when his goal was disallowed.

If you look at the table, we're the highest home goalscorers in the league, and the goals have come from all across the park.

That means that we must be doing something right, and we are all on a bit of a high.

As our next game is on Monday against Oldham, we've had a bit of a break between matches.

Results will go against us on Saturday, but we will go there full of confidence of getting a result.

We will have a bit of a selection headache with Stephen Gleeson coming back from suspension, so that will be a tough one for the manager.

But some tough decisions have already been made, like leaving out Tom Flanagan and Adam Chicksen for the Notts County game on Saturday, after they had played so well in the 1-1 draw against Charlton on Tuesday.

In that game, without being disrespectful, I thought we fully outplayed them in the first half and I think 1-0 flattered them to be honest.

In the second half Charlton did come out, they are a very strong team and forced some set plays but we had more clear cut chances.

We are a team who has no fear and we can play against anybody and I think we'll prove that in the up and coming games.

The Oldham game will be live on Sky but for us, we will treat it like any other game.

We've been on TV before, including the play-off games against Peterborough last season.

It's always nice to do it so we can show people the way we play, and we hope to put on a bit of a show.

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

			Home					Away						
	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Charlton	11	3	2	0	11	4	5	1	0	12	5	14	27
2	MK Dons	11	3	3	0	14	6	3	1	1	7	4	11	22
3	Preston	10	4	0	1	11	8	3	1	1	11	7	7	22
4	Sheffield Wed	11	5	0	0	13	4	2	1	3	7	12	4	22
5	Huddersfield	11	3	2	0	11	5	2	4	0	11	4	13	21
6	Sheffield Utd	11	4	0	2	12	7	2	2	1	5	3	7	20
7	Hartlepool	10	2	2	1	6	2	3	2	0	11	7	8	19
8	Notts County	11	4	0	1	11	6	2	1	3	7	8	4	19
9	Brentford	11	2	1	3	9	10	4	0	1	6	3	2	19
10	Carlisle	11	2	0	3	5	9	3	2	1	8	7	-3	17
11	Colchester	11	2	2	1	7	5	2	2	2	9	10	1	16
12	Tranmere	11	2	3	1	5	3	2	0	3	6	7	1	15
13	Oldham	11	1	2	2	4	6	3	0	3	8	11	-5	14
14	Stevenage	11	2	2	2	12	9	1	2	2	5	5	3	13
15	Scunthorpe	11	1	3	1	6	6	1	3	2	9	10	-1	12
16	Chesterfield	11	2	2	2	6	5	1	0	4	7	12	-4	11
17	Rochdale	11	2	2	2	8	9	1	0	4	6	12	-7	11
18	Bury	11	1	1	3	5	9	2	1	3	6	10	-8	11
19	Walsall	11	1	3	2	5	6	1	1	3	6	7	-2	10
20	Bournemouth	11	1	0	4	4	10	2	1	3	7	9	-8	10
21	Yeovil	11	2	0	4	7	9	0	2	3	5	9	-6	8
22	Wycombe	11	1	1	3	5	8	1	1	4	5	10	-8	8
23	Exeter	11	2	1	3	6	8	0	1	4	0	8	-10	8
24	Leyton Orient	11	1	0	5	6	13	0	3	2	3	9	-13	6

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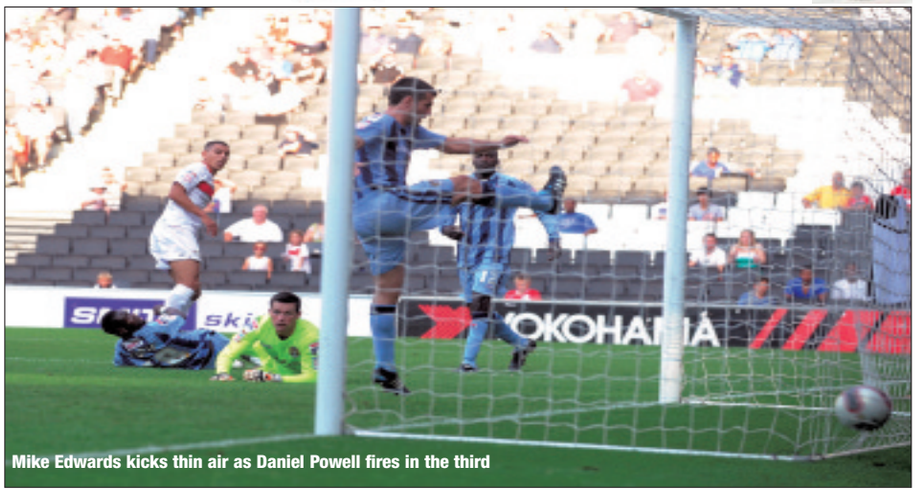


Mike Edwards kicks thin air as Daniel Powell fires in the third

Former boss Allen thinks Dons will win the league

MARTIN Allen experienced an unhappy return to stadiummk on Saturday – but he is taking comfort as he thinks his former club will win League One.

The 46-year-old boss, who was in the Dons hot seat for a little under a year during 2006 and 2007, saw his Notts County side brushed aside by Karl Robinson's charges after the Magpies had made the worst possible start to the match.

With only four minutes on the clock, County defender Julian Kelly kept out Dean Bowditch's goal bound effort with a hand, leading to a penalty and a straight red card.

Shaun Williams' spot kick was superbly saved by Stuart Nelson, but the visitors still faced an uphill struggle and were behind just minutes later.

An outstanding through ball from Clinton Morrison found Columbian winger Angelo Balanta, who dinked a delicious chip over Nelson to open the scoring.

Some may have thought that the floodgates would now open but the ten men made Dons work hard for the three points, and even threatened to grab a share of the spoils during a spell of pressure in the second half.

It wasn't until the last ten minutes that Dons killed off the match with two goals in quick succession.

Bowditch capped off a fine game on the wing by rolling the ball across the box for Morrison, who emphatically fired home his first for the club from close range.

Then Dan Powell added a third with an excellent individual goal which saw him dart through the box before finishing decisively at Nelson's far post.

The win lifted Dons up to second in the table but Allen thinks their final position will be one better.

After Saturday's game, he delcared Robinson's men to be the best team in League One.

He said: "I think they're probably going to end up as the champions.

"It was always going to be a difficult game coming here with 11 players, they've got good pace, they've got good movement and they play good football, and then when you're playing against that with ten men, that's tough."

Robinson was delighted with the three points and described some of the football his side played as 'outstanding'.

Despite only being one-up at half-time, Dons had subjected County to wave after wave of pressure and the boss said that if the sport had been boxing, the contest would probably have been stopped.

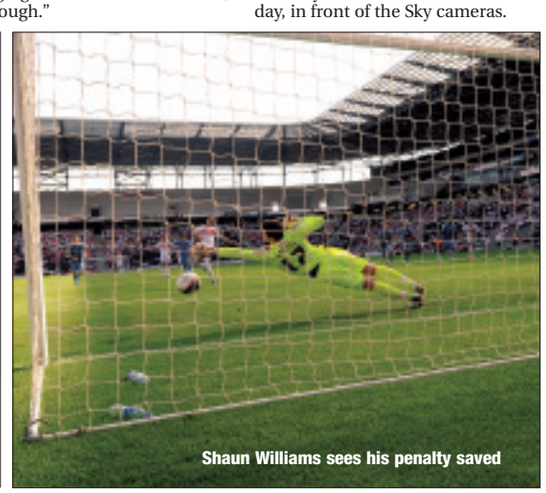
He said: "We deserved to be further ahead at half-time, it was frustrating, they could have had seven men on the pitch and it would have been difficult because the way they play is so route one it's difficult to play against.

"In the second half they made a bit more of a competition out of it, but I think tactically we got it spot on today."

Along with Morrison's first goal, another big plus was the return of defender Mathias Kouo-Doumbe, who played his first game of the season following a pre-season ankle injury at Oxford – and looked like he'd never been away.

The next assignment for Dons is an away clash at Oldham on Monday, in front of the Sky cameras.

Angelo Balanta opens the scoring with a sublime chip



Shaun Williams sees his penalty saved

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RUGBY UNION

NORTHAMPTON Saints have confirmed that top level rugby will be returning to Milton Keynes.

After playing their Heineken Cup quarter and semi final clashes at stadiummk last year, Saints will play this year's pool clash with Munster in the city.

With stadiummk boasting 21,500 seats the switch, the first time the club has moved a regular season game, allows as many Saints fans as possible to watch the crunch clash.

An exact date hasn't been confirmed, but the game will be played over the weekend of January 20/21/22.

Buckingham 19 Bletchley 34

BLETCHLEY travelled the short distance to Buckingham and came away with a victory in sweltering conditions.

Jamie Parker went over twice and there were also tries for Tim Stobbs, Kev Turnbull and Ryan Cane. Bletchley sit mid-table in the South West 1 East league.

Milton Keynes 7 Beaconsfield 46

AN injury hit MK found it tough in this Intermediate Cup clash, and had to field a side made up of all three seniors teams.

Tim Parkinson converted his own try to score the only points for the city club.

HOCKEY

London Wayfarers 1 MK Men 1sts 0 and Bromley & Beckenham 3 MK Mens 1sts 3

MK lost their first league game of the season in what they believe to be controversial circumstances.

In the second half, a London short corner was awarded where the initial shot seemed waist height, with the rebound finding the net for the only goal.

The second game of the weekend saw a huge performance to earn a 3-3 draw against National League side Bromley in the HA cup, which meant penalties.

Bromley won through following misses by Rich Townsend and Andy Dixon.

TOURING CARS

JAMES Nash is one of five drivers who could claim the British Touring Car Championship at the final round at Silverstone.

The Newport Pagnell man is fifth in the overall standings but is still in the hunt along with Mat Jackson, Jason Plato, Gordon Shedden and current leader Matt Neal.

Sitting 44-points behind Neal with 52 points up for grabs, Nash is very much an outsider, but he will still travel to Silverstone on October 16 in confident mood.

He will also go into the final races with a 17-point-lead over Jackson in the separate independent drivers' standings.

Nash, racing his Vauxhall for Triple Eight Race Engineering with Collins Contractors, said: "We consistently keep picking up strong results which will be important on what's probably going to be a very unpredictable day at Silverstone. My main goal has to be the independents, but you never know."

At Brands Hatch, Nash came fourth, sixth and third in the three races, which came after a victory at Donnington Park last weekend, in his GT Sportscar debut, and his first touring cars win at Rockingham the week before.

ATHLETICS

MK JAVELIN thrower Mervyn Luckwell threw the Olympic qualifying distance at an open meeting in Wrexham.

The personal best throw of 83.52m breaks his own club record and moves him up to sixth on the UK all-time list.

He will need to repeat the feat at an official qualification event to reach London 2012.

FENCING

THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD Gabby Down has been picked in the nine-strong GB wheelchair fencing squad for the World Championships.

The city youngster will compete next week in Catania and is eyeing Paralympic success.

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ICE HOCKEY

Mixed fortunes for Poole's MK

Lightning in action against Manchester. Pic: Jez Tibbetts.

IT WAS a case of mixed fortunes as MK Lightning began their quest to reclaim their league title this weekend.

On Saturday, Nick Poole's side laid down a huge statement of intent with a superb 5-2 victory over defending champions Manchester Phoenix.

But they didn't taste success just 24-hours later following a 4-2 defeat at Sheffield Steeldogs.

Only two minutes and 38 seconds had passed before Lightning scored their first against Phoenix at Planet Ice.

Leigh Jamieson found unmarked skipper Adam Carr who calmly slotted past Stephen Fone.

The lead was doubled six minutes later when Lukas Zatopek fired home a trademark ricochet, before Blaz Emersic connected with an Adam Brittle pass to increase the advantage in the second period.

Phoenix were rattled and saw three men sent to the sin bin, including player-coach Tony Hand who sat out for ten minutes for misconduct.

Phoenix finally struck on 35 minutes, but Zatopek struck again just three minutes later to prevent any thoughts of a comeback.

Manchester's Ben Wood fired in a penalty shot after he was felled by Grant McPherson, but Carr fired home following Leigh Jamieson's shot to make the lead safe and assert Lightning's dominance.

It was an excellent win but Lightning were unable to follow it up with another victory in Sheffield on Sunday.

A poor start saw Andrew Hirst and Janis Ozolins put the Steeldogs two up in the first period.

Jamieson slid home an Emersic pass during a five on three powerplay but Pavel Gomeniuk restored Sheffeld's two goal lead when Zatopek was serving two minutes for tripping.

New Lightning man Juraj Gracik grabbed a second Lightning goal shortly before the end of the second period to give Poole's side hope, but Ozolins struck again in the third period to put the result out of reach.

Next up for Lightning is a home clash with Telford Tigers on Saturday, before a trip to Slough Jet on Sunday.

Skipper Carr is expecting a tough assignment in the first match-up with Telford, who have not made the play-offs for five years.

"You only have to look at the result in Guildford a couple of weeks ago when Telford went there and came away 4-1 winners to know that Telford are no mugs," Carr said.

"They are a good skating team who will work hard, so we know we have to be ready to outwork them, which is our main team objective."

BASKETBALL

Lions need to bounce back after Leicester defeat

COMPETITIVE basketball returns to the MK Lions Arena on Friday and Mike New's men will have revenge on their minds.

Lions went down 81-73 at Leicester Riders in their BBL Trophy opener on Saturday, but will welcome their fierce rivals to the city on Friday for the return fixture – the first home game of the new season.

It promises to be a fiery encounter after comments from Lions chief executive Vince Macaulay, who described the Riders as the Lions 'B-Team' before the defeat, a reference to former MK players who are turning out in Leicester.

Despite the defeat, the Lions chief refused to back down.

He said: "We have our midlander neighbours in Leicester all hot under the collar because I referred to them last week as our B-Team.

"I'm not sure quite what they expect with so many ex-Lions in the organisation.

"Now, after we decided not to renew Yorick Williams' contract I understand he is training with them and of course changing their home colour to black – they really are the B-Team."

Leicester are understood to have pinned the comments on their changing room wall to motivate their players.

"If that's what they need to get fired up then they'll have problems," Macaulay added.

"However, I have great respect for coach Paternostro and I'm sure he's taking everything in the spirit it's intended."

With only one place in the semi-finals available from the three team group, Lions will need to win by eight points or more to overturn the defeat suffered at the weekend.

The other side in the group, English Basketball League outfit London Leopards, shouldn't prove to be a problem for either Lions or Riders as they compete at a lower level.

That means gaining revenge over Leicester is a necessity if Lions are to progress in the BBL trophy this year.

A packed house is expected for Friday's clash, tip-off 7.30pm, with the tie only at 'half-time.'

The returning Demarius Bolds once again proved his worth and was the star man in the first clash, racking up 28 points in an impressive display.

Stefan Gill and Adrien Sturt grabbed 13 points apiece, but the Lions trailed at the end of every quarter.

Meanwhile, Lions U16 started their league season with an 84-69 win over Brentwood Fire at the Lions arena.

FORMULA ONE

Vettel prepares to seal success

SEBASTIAN Vettel has insisted that the Formula One title race is not over, but only a miracle would stop the Red Bull man claiming a successive championship now.

The German needs a solitary point at Sunday's Japanese grand prix to cement himself on top of the world once more, and with a worst result of fourth so far this season, it seems inevitable that he will get the points haul he needs.

Vettel, however, is not counting his chickens, even though the rest of the Formula One world is.

He said: "I feel capable but I still have to do it. Obviously it should not be a problem but it's over when it's over and not before.

"Statistics are on our side, but this story has to wait to be closed."

Vettel brought himself to the brink of glory with victory in the Singapore Grand Prix last time out – his ninth win of the entire campaign.

Now, he hopes to 'put on a show' in Japan to finally put his rivals out of reach.

The champion-elect has won the last two races at the Suzuka Circuit and a finish of tenth or better will be enough on Sunday.

"Suzuka is one of my favourite tracks, it really couldn't have been built any better," he said.

"The first sector up to the Degner Curve is the most spectacular and challenging of the whole season and the 130R is legendary.

"It's great fun to drive straight through this left-hand bend. I'm not the only one who loves this track and our car normally loves it too."

Japan has been rocked by an earthquake and tsunami this year, and Mercedes team team principal Ross Brawn declared that it would be 'fitting' for fans in the country to see the next World Champion crowned.

For Vettel too, it would be a special place to seal his success.

He said: "The fans in Japan are special, what they have been through in recent times is something I cannot begin to imagine, but they are so impressive.

"They are extremely patient and always polite and friendly and their stamina is amazing.

"I hope we can put on a good show for them this weekend."

It could be a double celebration for the city based Red Bulls as the team are also closing in on the Constructors' Championship title.

The team need to hold a 172-point lead over McLaren after Japan, with the gap currently standing at a healthy 138 points.

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Lions look for Leicester revenge – page 83

Karl plays down Forest rumours

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KARL Robinson's growing reputation as one of Britain's brightest young managers has been highlighted once again with reports linking him to the vacant Nottingham Forest job.

Former England boss Steve McClaren called it quits at the City Ground on Sunday night, and Dons manager Robinson was instantly declared as a leading candidate to replace him.

He was installed as favourite for the job by several bookmakers, with odds as short as 4/5 available yesterday.

The next favourite, former Forest boss Billy Davies, was much further back with odds nearer to 4/1.

Forest could be drawn to a young manager after McClaren turned out to be a high-profile flop – his reign in Nottingham lasted just 111 days – and 31-year-old Robinson may fit the bill.

After guiding Dons to the play-offs last season and masterminding a strong start this time around, it was inevitable that he would be linked with top managerial jobs which became available.

Approaches from other sides were made in the summer, but rarely has there been so much speculation about the manager moving to another club.

In response to the rumours, Robinson, as he has done in the past, played down the reports and said he is committed to staying at stadiummk.

He said: "I've not heard anything officially from Nottingham Forest and it is nice to be linked with other jobs, but I've got a job to finish at MK Dons.

Karl Robinson on the touchline at stadiummk on Saturday

"When I took the job I set out to win promotion and that is what I intend to do.

"I made promises to the chairman and players and I want to keep them."

Forest are currently compiling a shortlist of candidates to replace McClaren.

Other names touted for the role are former Forest and Manchester United midfielder Roy Keane, former Leicester, Celtic and Aston Villa boss Martin O'Neill and even Alan Shearer, whose only managerial experience has been a short spell with Newcastle United.

Assistant manager John Gorman, speaking after the club's superb 4-0 Carling Cup demolition at Norwich, said that he wanted to see Robinson manage at the highest level.

And he wasn't surprised with the latest speculation about a move to Forest, a club who have won the European Cup twice but are now languishing towards the bottom of the Championship with only two wins all season.

"As an up and coming manager, Karl's name is always going to be mentioned," Gorman said.

"It's nice that the way we play has been recognised and Karl can be as good as anyone in the country.

"But the Chairman has been fantastic here and we've got a job to do at MK Dons."

Dons fans are used to seeing their manager leave the club to make a step up the leagues, and Robinson is the first manager since Danny Wilson to start a second season.

Martin Allen left then League Two Dons to join Championship side Leicester City after only a season in charge.

His replacement Paul Ince, who led the club to the League Two and Football League Trophy double, also lasted just a season as he was lured to Premier League side Blackburn Rovers.

Italian Roberto di Matteo was the next man in, but he too lasted for just one year before he left the city to join West Bromwich Albion.

Clinton ecstatic with first strike

CLINTON Morrison slammed home his first goal in a Dons shirt on Saturday – and he couldn't have looked happier.

The on-loan Sheffield Wednesday striker scored the vital second goal late on which ended ten man Notts County's stubborn resistance.

Morrison has expressed a desire to stay at stadiummk permanently and Dons boss Karl Robinson would also like to see the initial one-month deal extended. However, finding the cash could prove to be a stumbling block.

Robinson said: "I would love to keep him but you've got to respect the fact that he's come from a massive club and been at the highest level, so you can imagine the difficulties of getting him to come and play for the likes of us."

For more on the game see page 82.

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